



THE

Dragon  
1951



## Give a Cheer for DHS

Signals Hike  
1—2—3  
Signals Fight  
FI-GH-T  
Fight, Dragons, Fight

With a D, with an O,  
With a D-O-N,  
With an O, with an R,  
With an O-R-A,  
Donora, Donora,  
Yea, Yea, Yea.

1—2—3—4  
3—2—1—4  
Who for? What for?  
Who're you gonna yell for?  
D-O-N-O-R-A  
Beat (opponent)

Got your pep, got your steam  
Eat 'em up Dragon team  
Got your pep, got your steam  
Eat 'em up Dragon team  
Pep, steam, fight team  
Beat (opponent)

You gotta F-I-GHT  
You gotta F-I-GHT  
You gotta fight Dragon team  
You gotta fight  
You gotta fight Dragon team  
You gotta fight  
You gotta fight Dragon team  
You gotta fight, fight, fight,  
Beat (opponent)

Make that basket  
Dribble down the floor  
Com'on Donora  
Let's raise that score.

Two bits, four bits, six bits,  
A dollar, All from Donora  
Stand up and holler  
Beat (opponent)

### DHS Fight Song

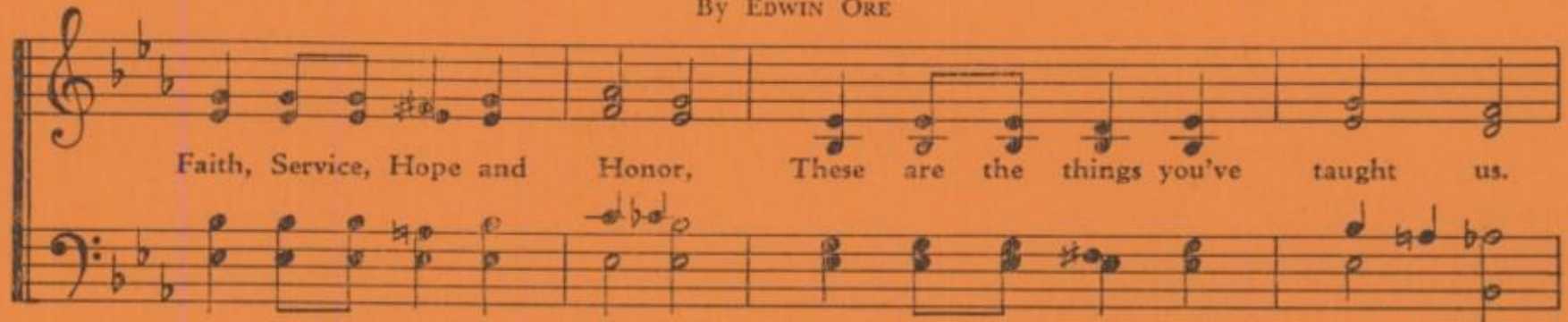
(Words in parenthesis will be yelled not sung.)

Fight, fight, fight, fight,  
Fight, Donora Dragons, Fight for Victory (Let's Go Gang)  
Fight, fight, fight, fight,  
Fight, Donora Dragons, That's our destiny (Hoo! Ray! Rah!)  
Win, win, win, win,  
Win, Donora Dragons, Keep that shining light, (Keep it Bright)  
To win fame and glory you must fight, fight, fight.

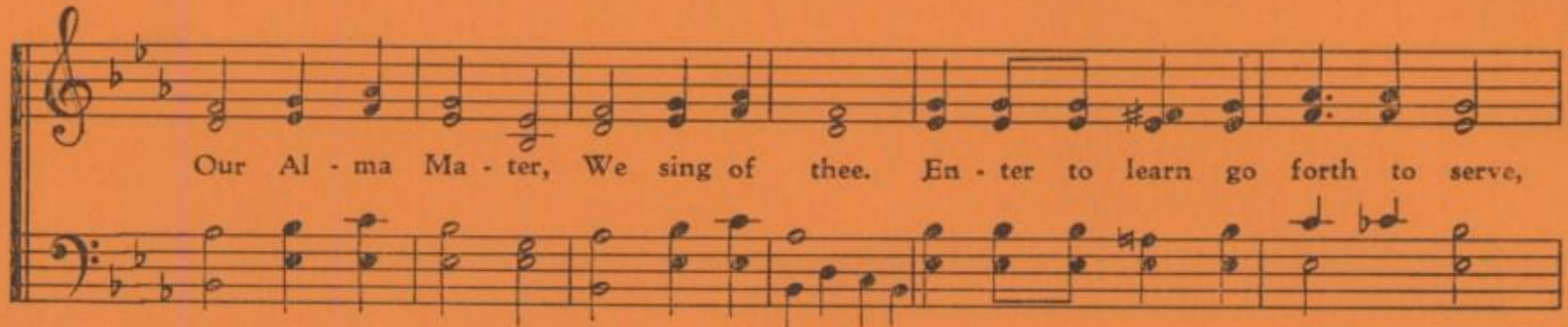


# Alma Mater

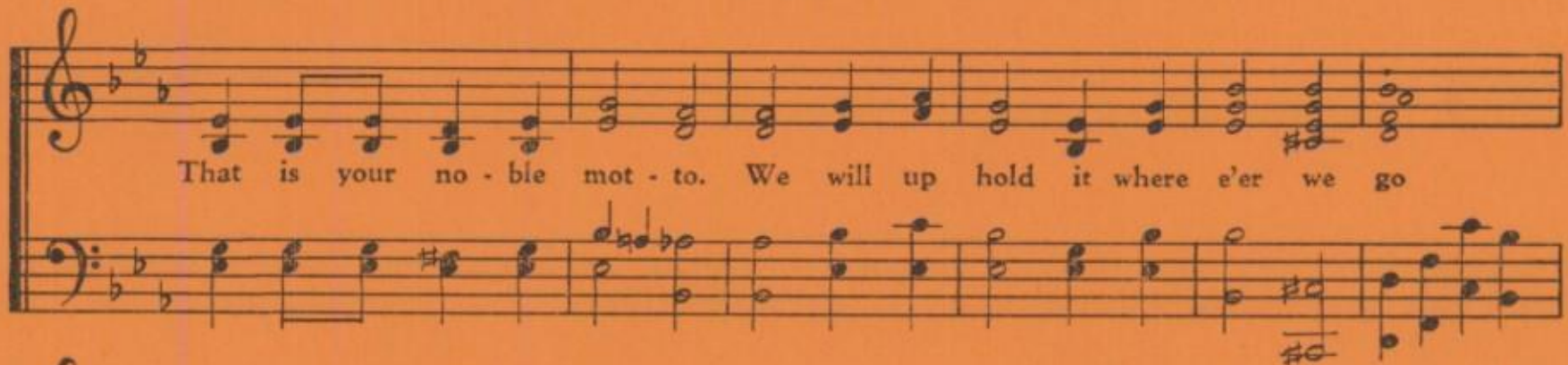
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Faith, Service, Hope and Honor, These are the things you've taught us.



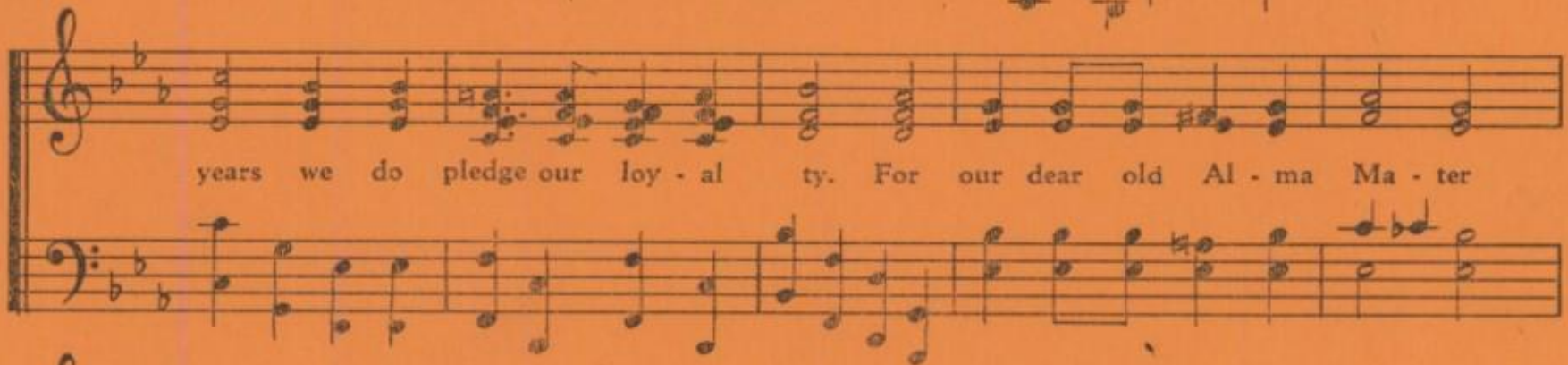
Our Al - ma Ma - ter, We sing of thee. En - ter to learn go forth to serve,



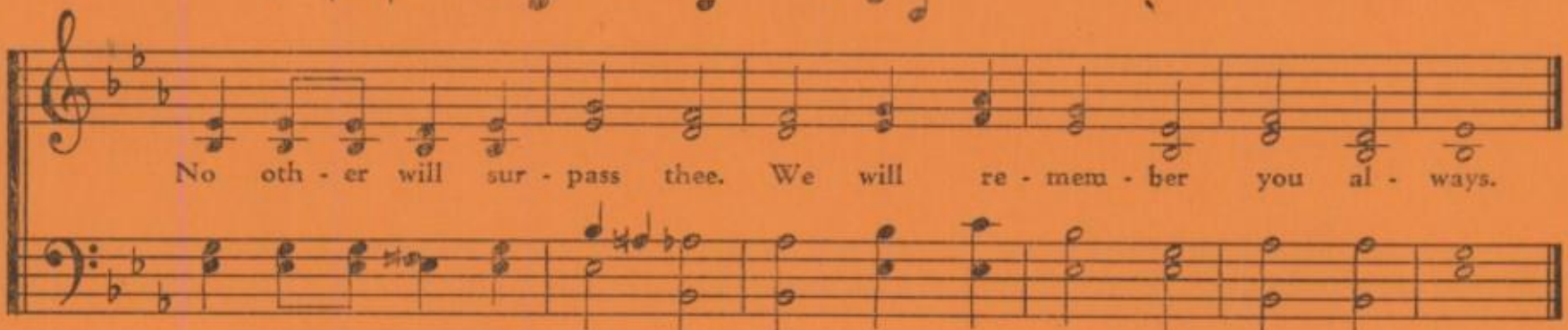
That is your no - ble mot - to. We will up hold it where e'er we go



We sing thy praise Do - no - ra High School and we pledge All thru the



years we do pledge our loy - al ty. For our dear old Al - ma Ma - ter



No oth - er will sur - pass thee. We will re - mem - ber you al - ways.







Best Always  
to "Dad"

Jerry Morgan







To A Bum  
From Another  
A.J. Thunder

To a Good Guy  
Service Member

John "Panda" Pastor  
Best Thanks in  
you to come in  
Gwen. Spaulding

To the "Largest" boy  
with "Mile" "Bum"

Sets of little hamlin's

To set the mastermind  
and the great boy  
Hugo Valdes  
Joe Motangel

To Mary Hand  
On a choo-choo train '52"

To a punk.  
Who picks junk  
King Louie  
of the  
Garbage

# Ex Libris

To the STAR "L.I."  
Hokay  
To a Spanish "brain"  
Don Allen

There's a boy tall and thin.  
I know a place he's never been.  
He lives in a little town.  
The boys there all knock him down.

Joe P. Rongachio - Head mgr.



# Donora Senior High School



Congratulates the Town

on its

## fiftieth Anniversary

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Business Manager  
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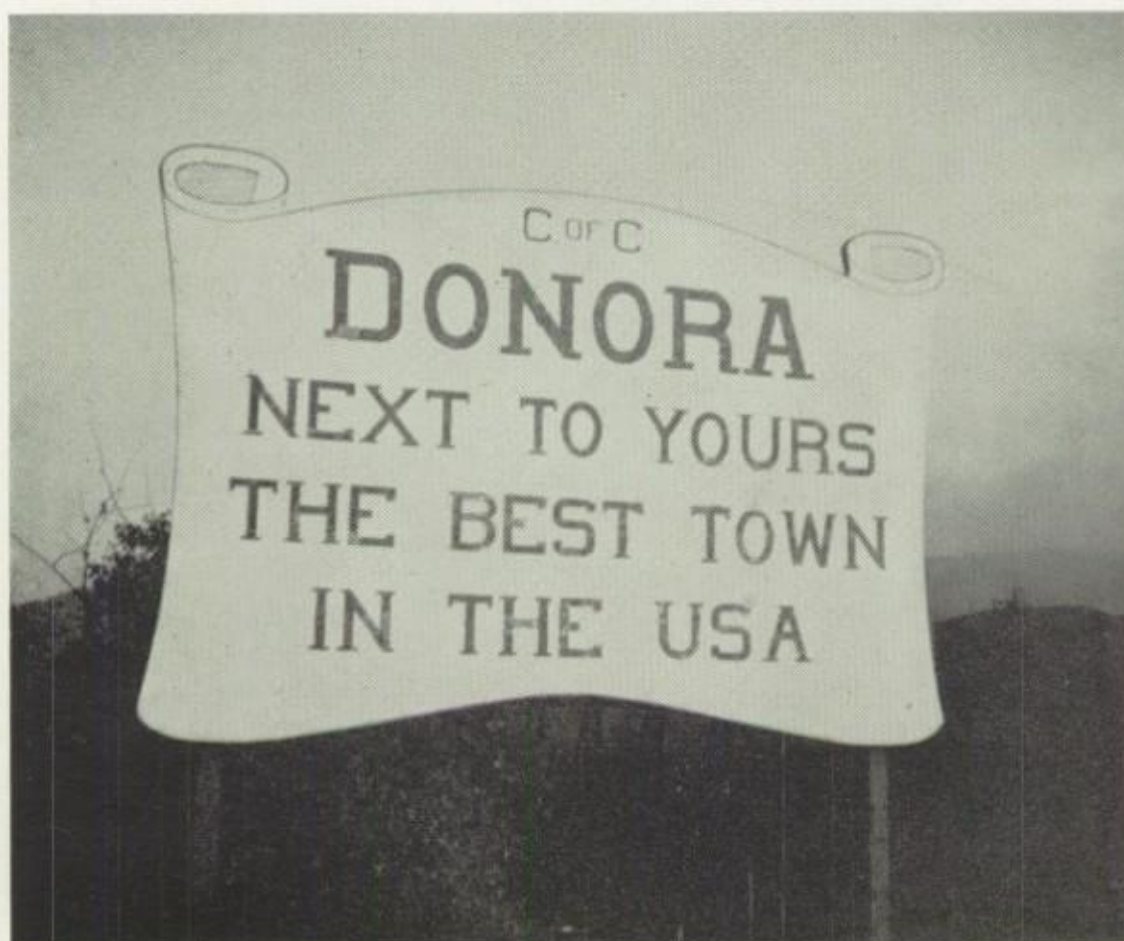
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of

DONORA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

DONORA, PENNSYLVANIA





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## *Foreword*

This is a book about Donorans. From the cover which incorporates the school seal designed by distinguished twin alumni, Renzo and Renato Rutili '19 on to the Alma Mater, the work of Edwin Ore '29, through the pages picturing Donorans native born, Donorans by adoption, all working for improvement in community and school life.

As Donora looks forward to its fiftieth anniversary celebration Donora Senior High School salutes the town; it is proud to be one of the significant marks of real community progress, and is ever hopeful that the prospective leaders found within the 1951 Dragon will convert their many skills evident in school activities to civic use for the future growth and development of Donora.



# The Civic Life of ANDREW S. SUKEL



(Left to right)

Reading the minutes at the December meeting of the Donora Community and Library Center Board as Preston Carson '31 presides. Donora's namesake and benefactor, William H. Donner, pictured in the background.



Discussing the Red Feather campaign with the Superintendent of the American Steel and Wire Works Harold Cope '10. They also served on Donora's Golden Jubilee Celebration, with Mr. Cope as general chairman.

At a Donora Library meeting with Library President Joseph Polkabila '18. Together they represented Donora on the Crusade for Freedom project.

Chatting with Lions Club President Jalo Siren '25 following a regular dinner meeting.



As Donora's Chairman of Crusade for Freedom checking final details of the 6002 enrollment while Flora Chabre '44 helps to balance the financial contributions.

Reviewing a recent bulletin with Chamber of Commerce President Alfred Zeffiro at the December meeting.



# *Dedication*

The progress and improvement of his home town has long been a personal interest of Mr. Sukel. He is sincere, loyal, enthusiastic and tireless in his efforts to cooperate in any civic undertaking. He trusts in the Youth of today to be Donora's leaders of tomorrow and has instilled in them a proper respect for community affairs. His civic philosophy is most acceptable because it is one of action.

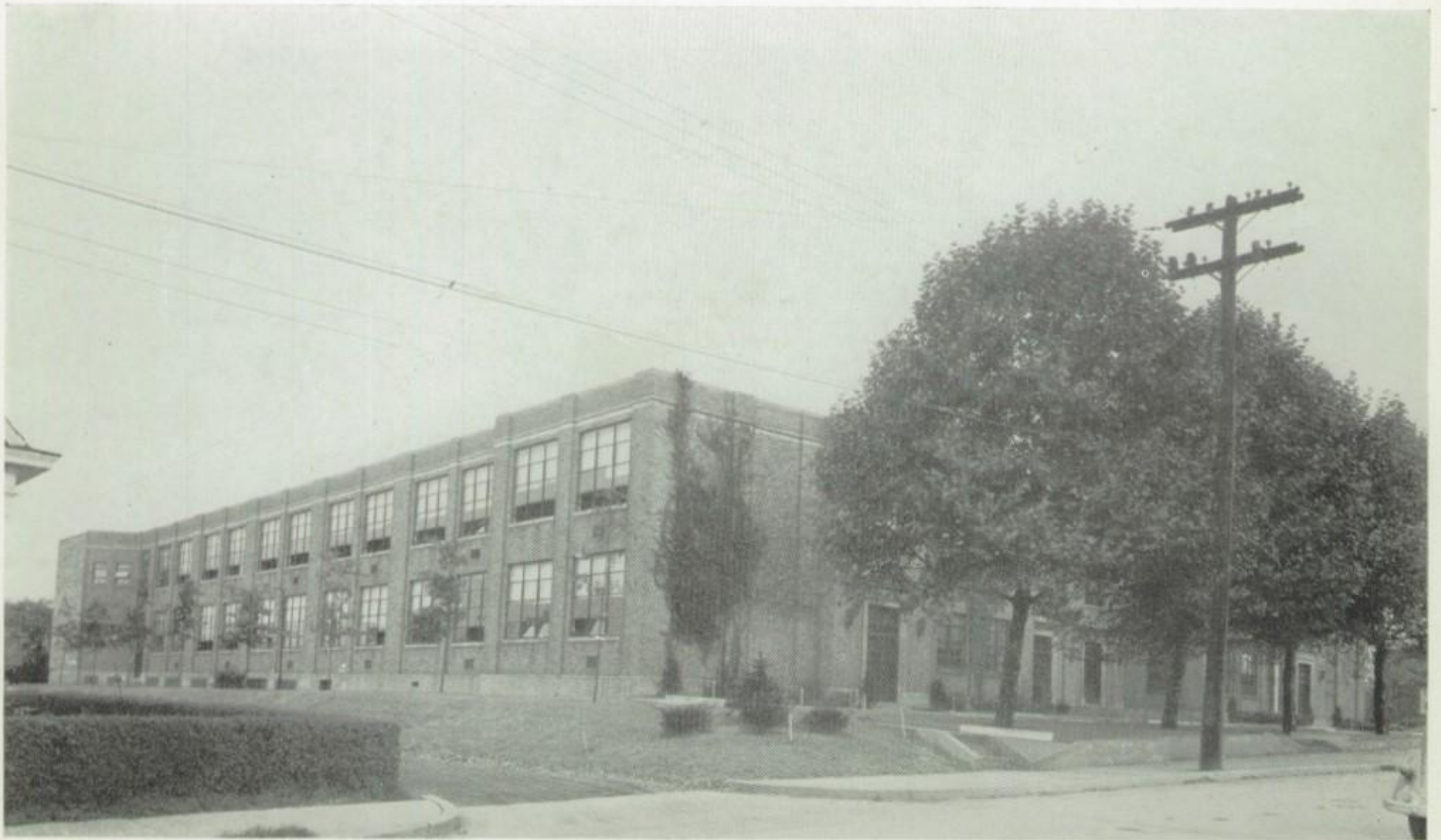
In recognition of the fine qualities he represents as a Donoran the 1951 DRAGON is respectfully dedicated to

**ANDREW S. SUKEL,**  
A LEADING CITIZEN OF DONORA





# Donora Senior High School



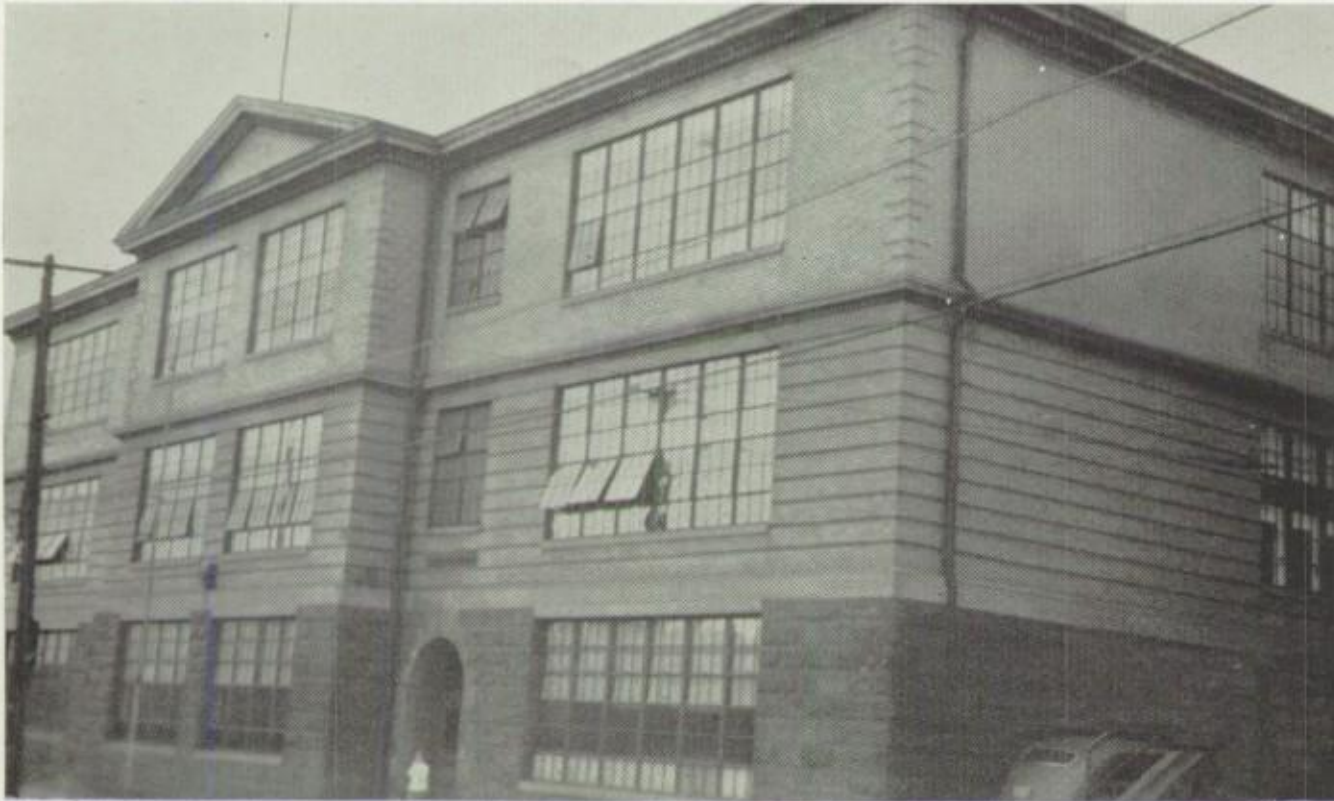
Opened in 1930

North Entrance To Donora Senior High School





# Elementary Public Schools of Donora



Castner School at  
Tenth and McKean  
Avenue  
Old section opened  
in 1903  
New section opened  
in 1926



Allen School at  
Second Street  
First Public School  
Opened  
September 9, 1901



Sixth Street School at  
Sixth and Castner  
Avenue  
Opened in 1921



## Familiar Sights to Donorans



Donora Zinc Mills  
Founded in 1915



Sixth and McKean  
Avenue  
showing the  
Irondale Hotel,  
one of the oldest  
buildings in Donora



Mellon National Bank  
at Fifth and McKean  
Avenue



# Administration

Senior High Faculty Active In Civic Organizations



Row 1 (left to right)—Fred Davison—American Legion; Eva Weddle, Mary Edna Gillespie—Red Cross.

Row 2—Katherine Hayes—Unidon Club; Guy Corno—Lions; Edwin Ore—American Legion; Dr. Michael Herk—Rotary.

Row 3—P. Garrett Hayes—Adjutant of American Legion; Edna Pipes—Unidon Club.

Row 4—Thomas McDunn—Local P.S.E.A. representative to Chamber of Commerce; Mary M. Curry—Donora Public Library Committee and Donora Woman's Club.



## Superintendent Andrew S. Sukel



ANDREW S. SUKEL, A.B., M.A.

Washington and Jefferson College,  
Pennsylvania State College  
431 Waddell Avenue

Our new superintendent . . . Mr. McDunn's hunting instructor  
. . . likes to fish . . . encourages higher learning in school . . .  
cultured.



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Superintendent's Secretary  
1207 Meldon Avenue

Attractive . . . wears glasses like Greta Garbo . . .  
co-operative and friendly . . . reserved . . . nice  
to know.



RITA C. TEDESCO

Superintendent's Clerk  
419 Allen Avenue

Personality . . . Rio Rita, etc . . . stationed at Mr.  
Sukel's throne room . . . Miss Chabre's little helper  
. . . keeps accounts in order.



## Well-known to Townspeople and Students

Mr. Andrew S. Sukel, as the new superintendent of Donora Schools, is new only to the position. Donora Schools have been a part of his life and he a part of its organization for a number of years. Completing his high school course in 1924 at Donora, Mr. Sukel then attended Washington and Jefferson College to earn his Bachelor of Arts Degree. He returned to his Alma Mater to begin his career as an educator, and in 1939 received his Masters Degree from Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. Sukel taught in the secondary schools from 1928 until 1937 when he became principal at Senior High School—a position which he successfully filled and from which he was elected to the superintendency.

His has been a busy career in the Donora Schools. While in the secondary schools he made curriculum adjustments and inaugurated well-balanced extra-curricular activities to expand the opportunities for local high school students; he worked enthusiastically and with satisfactory results to secure accreditation of the high school. This year he has worked to obtain a comparable understanding of elementary school problems.

The athletic program has received his whole-hearted support in its organization and its functioning for Superintendent Sukel is an inveterate sports follower who enjoys intramural, interscholastic, or professional competition.

Mr. Sukel believes in long range planning educationally, civically. He tries to inculcate into the students an evaluation of scholastic achievements in relation to the individual's future and, as a sincere Donora booster, he urges upon them the sense of responsibility all should accept in civic progress. His verbal advice is well exemplified in his own acceptance of civic responsibility—his civic record is one of accomplishments. He willingly serves on committees for any worthwhile project, and in his opinion any project which aims at town or school improvement is deserving co-operation from everyone.

Along with sports, his personal enthusiasms include liking to drive a car and when it's headed for Canada it's an ideal experience. Perhaps this is because Mr. Sukel is an advocate of hobbies especially if they are hunting or fishing.

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Miss Flora Chabre, the superintendent's secretary, received her high school education in Donora. She has been in the superintendent's office since the summer of 1949. Miss Chabre has a very quiet manner yet a nice friendliness to go with it. She has the efficiency so necessary in her job and is most cordially helpful to those who have occasion to consult her. The true lady's voice is hers and though somewhat shy she is a pleasant conversationalist and a congenial companion at social affairs.

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Miss Rita Tedesco is the clerk in the superintendent's office. She attended Donora schools graduating in 1946. In the fall of 1949 she came to her present position. As a recent graduate Miss Tedesco feels very much at home whether she is busy with the clerical work in her office or checking records in our office.

Her pleasantness of disposition is expressed in her ready smile and her cordial greeting. Although she likes social activities Miss Tedesco also finds relaxation in reading worth-while books and in improving her skill as a seamstress.



## Dr. Michael Herk, New Principal



DR. MICHAEL J. HERK, B.S., M.Ed., D.Ed.

California State Teachers College

University of Pittsburgh

75 Market Street

Energetic . . . interested in student activities . . . brings out the best in the school . . . received Doctor's degree at beginning of term.



MARGARET GODZIK

Principal's Secretary

421 Sixth Street

Neat and trim . . . lots of fun . . . "Sis" . . . very considerate . . . Mr. Plavko's star typist . . . chauffeured home by Miss Weddle.



## Takes Over Duties Diligently

Dr. Michael J. Herk is completing his first year as principal of Donora Senior High School. A local graduate of 1931 he continued his education at California State Teachers College earning his Bachelor of Science Degree from there. In 1939 he completed work on his Masters Degree at the University of Pittsburgh and this past September had his Doctorate conferred upon him from the same institution.

Dr. Herk has been in the Donora Secondary Schools since 1935. Before he became Senior High School Principal he served on the faculty at Junior High School as a teacher, a guidance counselor and faculty manager of the school's athletic program. From faculty member Dr. Herk became an administrator at Junior High School and in August 1950 he was transferred from that post to Senior High School as principal.

There are many angles of student life with which Dr. Herk has had actual experience in his association with the present student body in recent years. Since he was head of the testing program while in Junior High School he is acquainted with individual capabilities and can give helpful advice to those in need of it. Having worked with this student body he understands their problems, knows them personally and is sufficiently experienced with their deviations from the routine way of school to deal with them accordingly. Dr. Herk has a friendly, courteous and appreciative manner in working with faculty and students and a totally individual and effective way of clearing the halls.

Athletics is a very specific interest of Dr. Herk's. He's for the team, win or lose, and works enthusiastically with the students to arouse and maintain worth-while school spirit.

Dr. Herk is a recent member of Rotary, representing the schools in that organization; since joining he has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Rotary Club. He is interested in the town's program and the enthusiasm he displays in all school projects is also evident in his willingness to work on committees for civic improvement.

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A Donora alumna, Class of '47, Miss Margaret Godzik returned a year later to her Alma Mater as secretary in the principal's office. Her calmness on all occasions, her quietness in pursuance of her work are both assets, since aside from her secretarial duties she is somewhat in the position of an oracle answering questions of all types from inquiring students and teachers.

Miss Godzik has a pleasing personality, enjoys socializing and from her many two-page bulletins of this year is suspected of harboring a secret yearning to be a writer.



# Senior High School Faculty

**JOHN P. BALAS, B.S.E.**

California State Teachers College  
Plane Geometry, Algebra  
624 Fourth Street

Has his many headaches . . . woman-killer . . . tough guy . . . "Them what gets the mostest gets the bestest."



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University of Pittsburgh  
Problems of Democracy,  
American History  
512 Allen Avenue

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Duquesne University  
English  
207 Ninth Street

"Moon" . . . Lawrence Olivier's competitor . . . combines coaching ability with acting . . . "To bea, oor not to bea . . ."



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Duquesne University  
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"Hi there, Jackson" . . . our band's pride and joy . . . impish grin . . . mighty mouse . . . easy to please.



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Interesting . . . popular with students and teachers alike . . . interested in art and psychology . . . master at innuendo.



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fellow worker



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Popular . . . keeps Varsity Dragon  
going . . . "Dottie" . . . turn to page  
etc., etc . . . sophomores, sophomores,  
sophomores.



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"Kappy" . . . headaches of an over-  
sized class . . . "Let's have those  
papers, please" . . . psychologist . . .  
sports big black Dodge





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Physics, Plane Geometry  
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Animated personality . . . "Jimmy" . . . master-mind on the football field . . . has bird's eye view on historical characters.



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Bookkeeping  
948 Meldon Avenue

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*Eva Weddle*



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MICHAEL CULYBA '36

LOUIS DEMETER

PAUL JOHNSON

THOMAS PUGLISI



Row 1 (left to right) Paul Barna, Louis Busto, Charles Stacey, George Frazier, Andrew Sukel.  
Row 2—Patsy Amatangelo, Paul Johnson, Michael Culyba, Louis Demeter, Thomas Puglisi.



# Classes

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



DONORA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
Opened in 1914 (old part)  
1917 (new part)



Row 1 (left to right)—Transcription class—Senior High School—Paul Stimak, Anthony Bucich, Merino Fernandez, Josephine Sawa in Art.  
Row 2—Margaret Adamek, Mrs. Stewart, Joan Tabish, Gail Nash, Evelyn Vojtas in Home Economics—The Girl's Health Class applies first

aid tactics—Tenth graders preparing a meal in Home Economics.  
Row 3—Frank Puia, Mr. Hall, Paul Chanko, Angel Fernandez in Industrial Arts—Donora Junior High School—Leo DiBiasi, Manuel Yocolano, Mr. Hokaj in Industrial Arts.



# THE SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS OF 1951

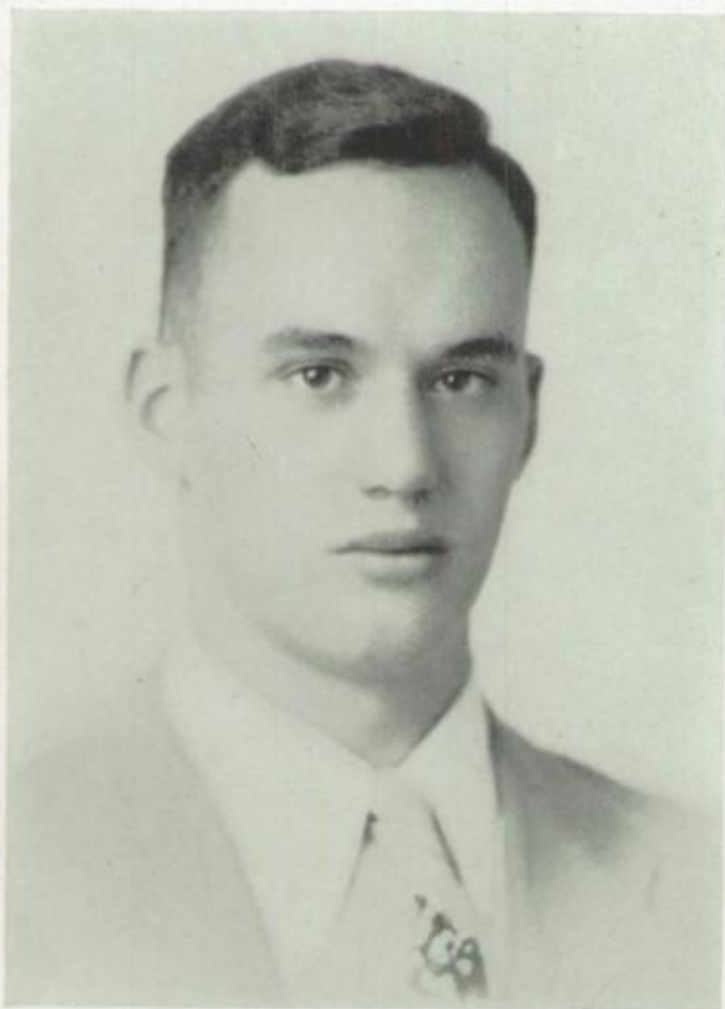


**PAUL PETRO**

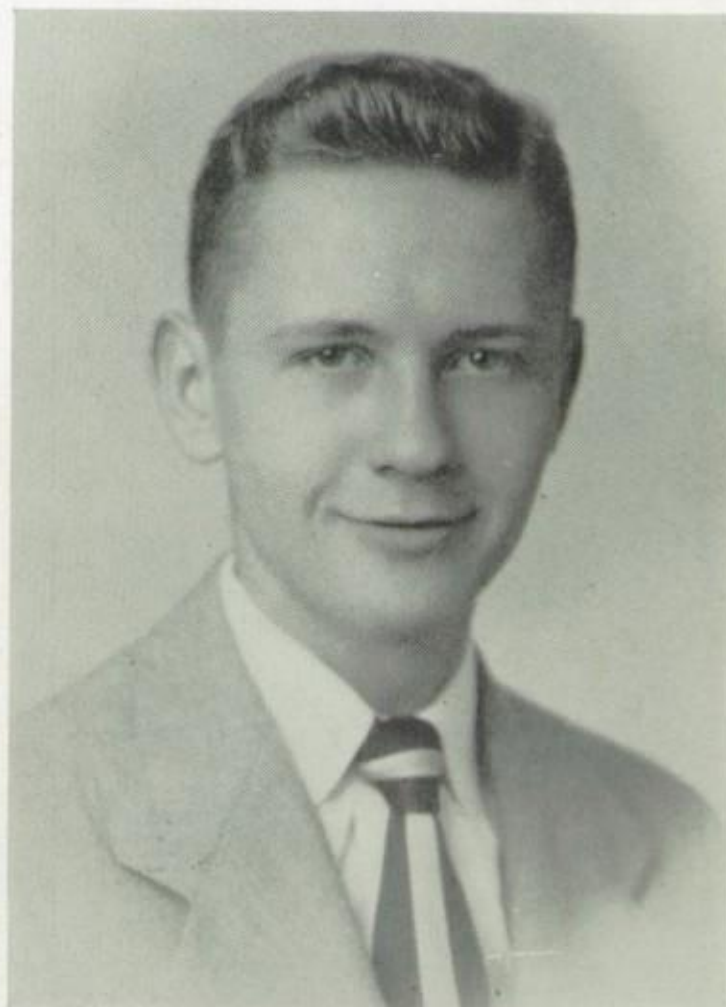


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 Secretary ..... PAUL G. BERCIK  
 Treasurer ..... JOSEPH KOSTOLANSKY



**PAUL G. BERCIK**



**JOSEPH P. KOSTOLANSKY**



# WE SENIORS SALUTE DONORA'S BOROUGH COUNCIL

*It legislates for our best interests*

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Language Club 3.

Funny . . . mischievous . . . occasionally acts the part of school clown . . . uses comic books for heavy reading . . . "Haw-haw."

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## MARY AMOROSO

Academic  
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Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3.

"Our friend Irma" . . . amiable . . . inquisitive . . . practical joke bait . . . attractive . . . moody . . . always late for majorette practice.

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Academic  
89 Allen Avenue  
Band 2, Vice-President 3, President 4; Debate Club 2; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4

Plays a mean trombone . . . Cy's right-hand man . . . sharp dresser . . . quick to argue . . . Larry's buddy.

## JOHN J. ANDREWS

Academic  
Americo Park

"Sonny" . . . ambition in life is to own a black Cadillac . . . car crazy . . . sly smile . . . skeptical.

## BETTY J. ANGELO

Commercial  
117 First Street  
Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Twirls a baton . . . always smiling . . . cute giggle . . . congenial . . . likes boys from Belle Vernon . . . gum-chewer.

## MINERVA S. ASSAD

Commercial  
R. D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.  
Band majorette 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Co-operative majorette . . . commuter . . . ebony hair . . . pleasing smile . . . prefers out-of-town males . . . Ruth's pal . . . prompt.

## GERALDINE A. BALDINI

Commercial  
229 Castner Avenue  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Varsity Dragon Business Manager 4; Yearbook Staff 2, 3; Student Council 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3, 4.

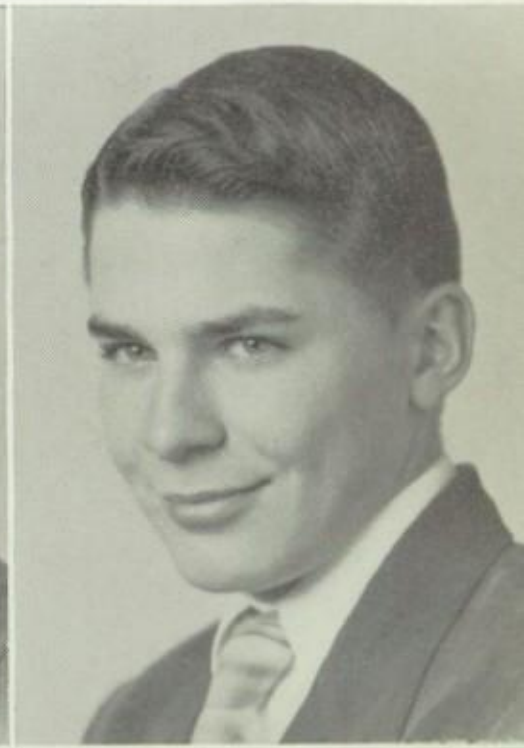
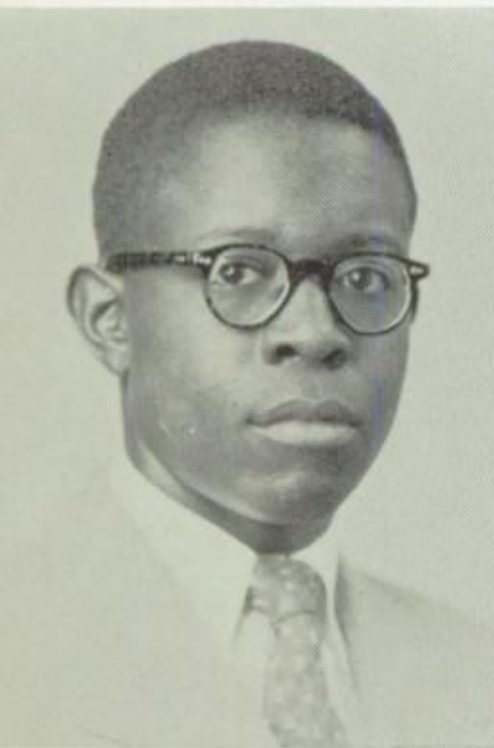
Always on the go . . . just plain "Bill" . . . dancing Gypsy eyes . . . Miss Godzik's right hand . . . frequently boisterous.

RICHARD ALEXANDER  
JOHN ANDREWS

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BETTY ANGELO

MARY AMOROSO  
MINERVA ASSAD

DONALD ANDERSON  
GERALDINE BALDINI





# WE SENIORS APPRECIATE DONORA'S INDUSTRIES

*They offer opportunity to many*

## EVELYN J. BARTOLI

Commercial  
519 Eighth Street  
Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4;  
County Music Contest 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4;  
Yearbook Staff 2, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Make-  
up crew 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" Student Director 3.  
"Jeane" . . . very neat . . . has a steady beau at Pitt . . .  
"Miss Monongahela Valley" . . . beautiful voice . . . argumen-  
tative.

## MARIE ELAINE BARTON

Commercial  
226 Walnut Street  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4.  
Tall and thin . . . collects perfume bottles . . . favors older  
men . . . has her say when aroused.

## CARMEN C. BATTILANA

Academic  
764 Thompson Avenue  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4.  
"I can't get my nightwork done" . . . co-operative . . . quiet  
but industrious . . . hearty laugh . . . has a ride to school  
every day.

## BARBARA J. BENVIE

Academic  
410 Murray Avenue  
Language Club 3, 4; Girls' Athletic Club 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y  
2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.  
"B. J." . . . where there's fun there's B. J. . . . photogenic  
. . . cute laugh . . . "Have you seen Dudge?"

## PAUL G. BERCIK

Academic  
90 Donora Place Plan  
Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track  
2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, Treasurer 4; Student Coun-  
cil 4; Class Secretary 4.  
Tall, dark, and handsome . . . good student . . . Ozzie's pal  
. . . athletic star . . . wavy hair . . . popular . . . shy.

## MINOR D. BINLEY

Commercial  
517 Liberty Avenue  
Baseball 3, 4.  
"Poo" . . . neat . . . catchy laugh . . . outspoken at times . . .  
a good student . . . likeable . . . sometimes agitates . . .  
seldom seen frowning.

## RUTH J. BIRES

Commercial  
265 McKean Avenue  
Concessions 4; Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Girls' Ath-  
letic league 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; Forever Albert 4.  
Crew cut . . . "Sis" . . . "I don't care" . . . seldom laughs . . .  
striking . . . moody . . . always in style.

## FRANK W. BISACKY

Commercial  
729 Waddell Avenue  
Football 2, 3, 4; Projector operator 2, 3, 4.  
Handsome . . . football lover . . . one of the gang . . . takes  
things in stride . . . radio announcer voice . . . "Cotton."

EVELYN JEAN BARTOLI  
PAUL G. BERCIK

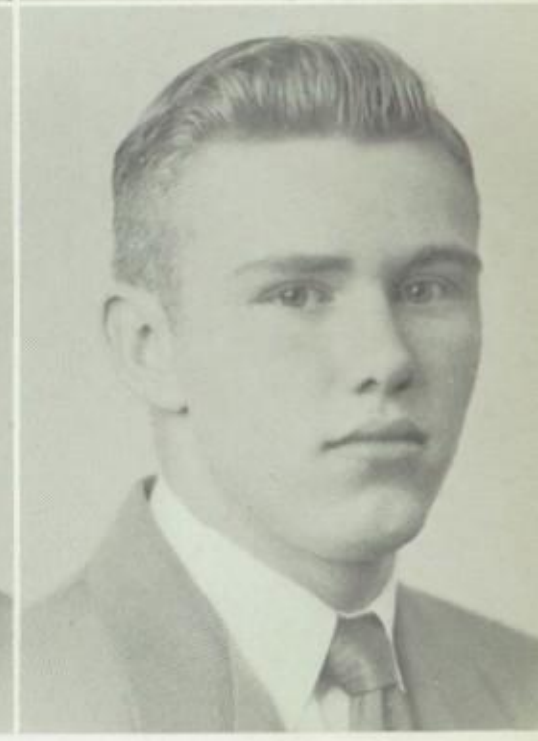
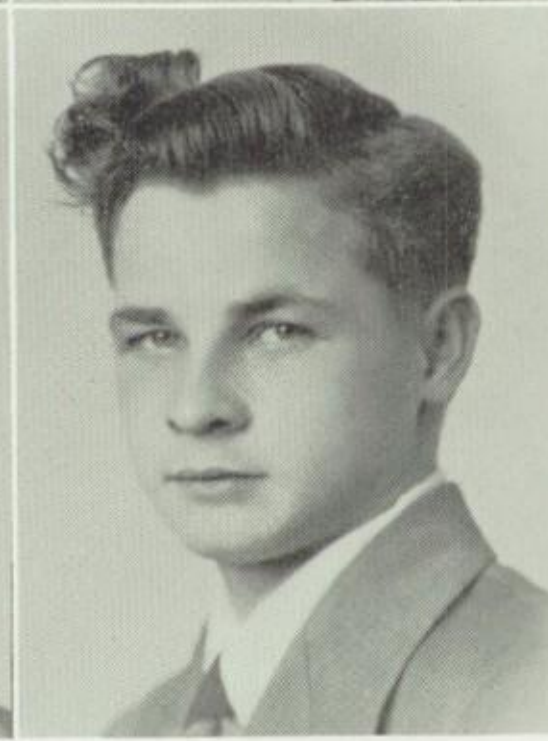
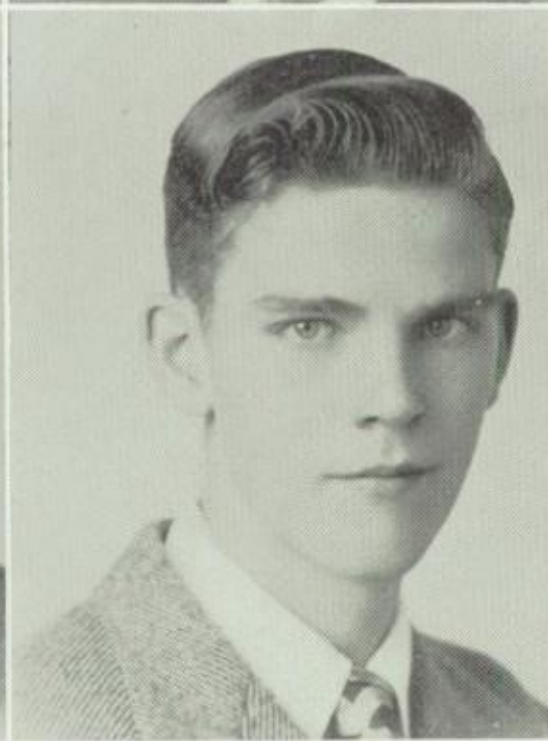
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**JOHN BOWEN**  
**JAMES CLENDENON**

**GERALD BUCHKO**  
**WILLIAM COX**

### **BENJAMIN H. BLAIR**

Commercial  
1384 Meldon Avenue  
Concessions 4.

Industrious concession worker . . . devilish . . . moody at times  
. . . sports lover . . . looks forward to graduation.

### **EUGENE BARTO BORINO**

Academic  
427 Prospect Avenue  
Orchestra 2, 3, 4.

Laughable, likable, and atomic . . . "Barto" . . . one of Maestro Wapiennik's proteges . . . talented bass-viol player.

### **JOHN H. BOWEN**

Academic  
709 Waddell Avenue  
Student Council Vice-President 3, President 4; Concessions 4.

"Jack" . . . quite a lady's man . . . wears sharp clothes . . . big wheel of the Student Council . . . "Can you get the car tonight, Chuck?"

### **GERALD J. BUCHKO**

Academic  
123 Brokaw Avenue  
Band 3, Vice-President 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4; Stage Crew 2, 3, 4.

"Jerry" . . . always backstage . . . plays bass drum . . . amiable . . . popular with girls . . . never misses a dance.

### **JULIA A. CABO**

Commercial  
122 Twelfth Street  
Varsity Dragon Staff 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Miss Kos's helper . . . intramural athlete . . . confines her excitement to the gym . . . Annie's other half . . . great sport.

### **FRED W. CASSON**

Commercial  
657 Wise Street  
Baseball 4; Student Council 3.

Definite mathematical ability . . . top-notch bowler . . . informed sports fan . . . friendly.

### **JAMES A. CLENDENON**

Commercial  
657 McCrear Avenue

"Jim" . . . ace bowler . . . Napoleonic stature . . . competitor of "Slip" (alias Leo Gorcey) . . . tough customer when mad.

### **WILLIAM O. COX**

Academic  
713 Walnut Street  
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

"Lover boy" . . . poetical and mathematical mind . . . sports fan . . . rusty hair . . . the great jester . . . girl crazy.



# WE SENIORS ENJOY DONORA'S RECREATION PROGRAM

*It affords us good outdoor relaxation*

## DOROTHY A. CRAFTON

Commercial

302 Third Street

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4.

Unassuming . . . part of the Third Street crowd . . . soft-spoken . . . hides emotions well.

## RONALD E. CROSS

Commercial

707 Seventh Street

Easy-going . . . has big brush of wavy hair in front . . . "Dusty" Rhodes' other half.

## GEORGE E. DAUBE

General

158 Thompson Avenue

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

Dependable athletic performer . . . extremely popular . . . dark wavy hair vital asset . . . drives red convertible . . . joker.

## MICHAEL R. DOMANICO

Commercial

335 Third Street

Reserved manner . . . dresses well . . . likes to pay attention to the girls . . . "Mike."

## SHIRLEY K. DUDGEON

Academic

836 McKean Avenue

Language Club 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.

Pepsodent smile . . . always looking for Slim . . . "Dudge" . . . loud laugh . . . active in the G.A.L. . . . mischievous.

## BETTY J. DUNCAN

Academic

718 Castner Avenue

Band 3, 4; Language Club 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Tickles the ivories . . . nice friend to have . . . slick chick . . . claims she's Warren Walton's cousin (?) . . . shy.

## JAMES S. DUNCAN

Commercial

718 Castner Avenue

Band 2, 3, 4.

Pleasant speaking voice . . . handy with the drums . . . neat dresser . . . can't avoid trouble . . . everyone knows "Sylvester."

## MARIE ELLIS

Commercial

1362 Meldon Avenue

Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Roller skating enthusiast . . . fond of the opposite sex . . . never walks to school . . . "You just know it."

DOROTHY CRAFTON  
SHIRLEY DUDGEON

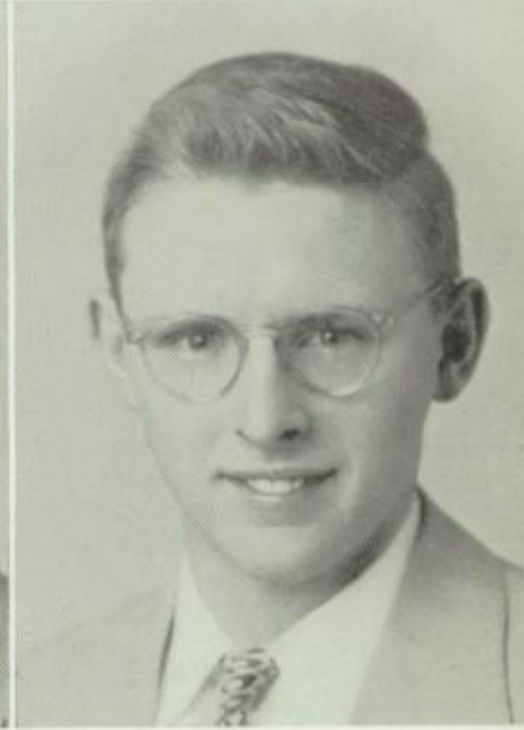
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#### **ROBERT N. EPPERSON**

Academic  
480 Liberty Avenue  
Football 2, 4; Language Club 3, 4.

"Lippo" . . . friendly . . . great teaser . . . genius when he wants to be . . . amateur boxer . . . leading Scout.

#### **SHIRLEY E. EVANS**

Commercial  
437 Sixth Street  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Varsity Dragon Staff 3; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2.

Small and petite . . . dreamy brown eyes . . . shy but eager to be friends . . . can always be found with a book.

#### **CHARLYNE M. FALLER**

Academic  
575 Meldon Avenue  
Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Debate Club 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, Secretary 4; Yearbook Staff 2, 3, Editor-in-chief 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, Head of volleyball 3, Head of Individual Sports 4; Class Secretary 3; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4; Usher Club 2, 3, 4.

"Char" . . . versatile . . . ambitious . . . sincere . . . a good leader . . . knows her EDDIE-kett . . . "You ain't seen nothing yet."

#### **JOSEPH A. FERNANDEZ**

Commercial  
857 Koehler Avenue  
Boys' Intramural League 2, 3, President 4.

"Peppy" . . . enjoys a good time . . . large following . . . one of Mr. Plavko's boys . . . friendly smile.

#### **SARAH MARGARET FORSYTH**

Commercial  
339 Thompson Avenue  
Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Student Council 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, Vice-President 3, President 4; Usher Club 2, 3, 4.

"Peggy" . . . littlest but not least of the majorettes . . . contagious giggle . . . willing worker . . . smiling blue eyes.

#### **OLIVE M. FOTHERINGHAM**

Commercial  
789 Thompson Avenue  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Has a steady beau—Diz . . . brown roguish eyes . . . "Oh" . . . full of fun . . . always well dressed.

#### **ROBERT E. FRETZ**

Academic  
1328 Overlook Terrace  
Baseball manager 3, 4; Wrestling 2.

"Fretz-kid" . . . towering in height? ? ? . . . (Ach, Himmell!) . . . "Ain't got 'em done, Miss Hayes" . . . more fun than a barrel of monkeys.

#### **JAMES M. GAMBLE**

Academic  
120 Eleventh Street  
Basketball 2, 3; Language Club 2, 3, 4.

"Jump" . . . quiet . . . basketball star . . . everybody's friend . . . tennis champion.



# WE SENIORS RESPECT DONORA'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

*It aims to make Donora a better place for us*

## WILLIAM E. GAYDOS

Academic  
238 Waddell Avenue  
Band 2, 3, 4; Stage Crew 2, 3, 4.

Likable . . . shy . . . a master with the paint brush . . . stage crew man . . . one of the "Big Three."

## ELAINE E. GEDEON

Commercial  
212 Sycamore  
Girls' Athletic League 3.

Hard-working girl . . . one of a gang . . . never gets excited . . . likes to dance . . . slow in manner.

## LUCY J. GEMBAROSKY

Commercial  
1341 Fayette Street  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

"Zaza" . . . good humor mixed with irascibility . . . wears lots of sweaters . . . always seen with Mary.

## SALLIE GIBSON

Commercial  
401 Thompson Avenue  
Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, Secretary 4; Yearbook Staff 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3.

"I want my quarterback" . . . discrete . . . likes pretty clothes and green buicks . . . always joking . . . nonchalant attitude.

## REGINALD G. GILLINGHAM

Academic  
149 Modisette Avenue  
Band 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 4.

"Reggie" . . . lots of fun . . . unique personality . . . Mr. Corno's drummer boy . . . reminds one of J. P.

## ANN L. GONZALEZ

Commercial  
326 Van Pelt Street  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, Corresponding Secretary 4; Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3; Cheerleader 3, 4; Student Council 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, Assistant Head of Individual Sports 3, 4; Usher Club 2, 3, 4.

Alive with pep . . . popular . . . smart dresser . . . easy manner . . . enjoys a good laugh . . . cheerleader . . . varies friends.

## FRANCIS C. GREENLEE

General  
461 Fifth Street  
Track manager 2, 3, 4.

"Fritz" . . . care-free disposition . . . receives most of the laughs . . . good kid . . . frequents the office.

## STEPHEN GULA

Commercial  
448 Fifth Street

"Stevie" . . . bubbling laugh . . . entrancing brown eyes . . . Minor's sidekick . . . joker . . . 102's clown . . . angelic face.

WILLIAM GAYDOS  
REGINALD GILLINGHAM

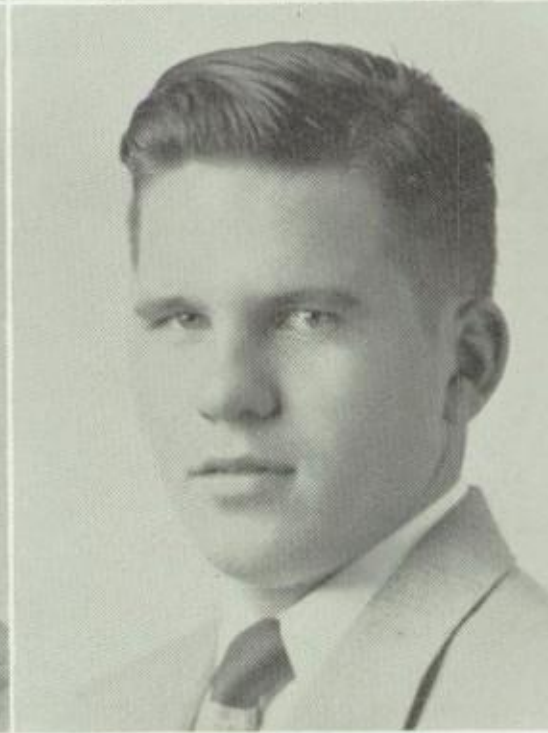
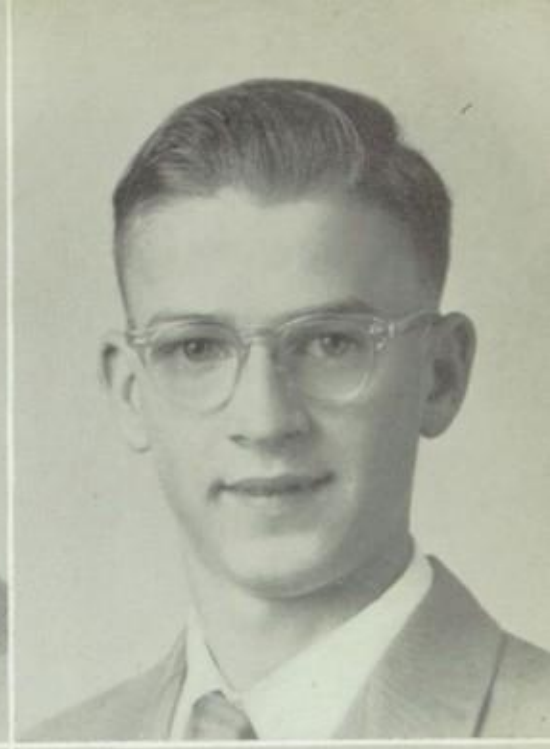
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**WILLIAM CHARLES GUYKER, JR.**

Academic

430 Thompson Avenue

Band 2, 3, 4; County Music Contest Winner 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4.

Dislikes girls . . . banner trumpet player . . . likes all sports . . . great talker . . . "I want PEP" (and he got it!)

**JAMES E. HAGERSON**

Academic

107 Ninth Street

Lady's man . . . a regular gent (?) . . . ornery . . . unusual sense of humor . . . member of Ninth Street Gang.

**MARY M. HAIRSTON**

Commercial

437 Sixth Street

Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

The quiet type . . . moody . . . gift of gab in Mr. Davison's . . . has usual feeling of students towards books.

**JOSEPH T. HALLER**

Commercial

225 S. Mellon Avenue

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3.

Likes to talk . . . intelligent . . . moody at times . . . tall . . . good speaker . . . doesn't cause much trouble.

**PAUL J. HIBAR**

Academic

R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Concessions 4.

Fascinating blue eyes . . . very friendly . . . quick smile . . . nice to know . . . sports a blue Hudson.

**CAROL J. HICKMAN**

Academic

80 Allen Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" Student Director 4.

Flirtatious . . . loves baseball . . . knitting fiend . . . follows latest styles . . . unmistakable laugh . . . always neat.

**RAYMOND C. HOSTENSKE**

Commercial

624 Highland Avenue

Football 3, 4.

"Muckle" . . . shy with the girls? . . . loves things rough . . . prey for a good joke . . . easy to get along with.

**EULAINÉ E. HOZDULICK**

Academic

864 Meldon Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Debate Club 2; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 2, 4; Student Council 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, Corresponding Secretary 3.

Reserved . . . nice to look at . . . likes to skate . . . handy with a piano . . . works after school.



# WE SENIORS ESTEEM DONORA'S FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

*They protect us and our homes*

## RITA JEAN HUBER

Academic

R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Band majorette 2, Secretary 3, Financial Secretary 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" Prompter 4; Usher Club 2, Vice-President 3, 4.

Coquettish . . . wields a baton knowingly . . . cute trick . . . sports a "Greyhound" jacket . . . travels the school bus.

## CLIFFORD C. HUGHES

Academic

R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Wrestling 2; Language Club 3.

Serious at times . . . a good mechanic . . . likes everyone . . . sweet tempered . . . rides the school bus daily.

## RICHARD D. HUNT

Academic

R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Shortstop . . . mischievous . . . devilish grin . . . dynamite in a small package . . . a hick from the sticks.

## GLORIA A. JEFFERSON

Commercial

486 Liberty Avenue

Girls' Athletic League 4.

Long John . . . dependable . . . cheerful . . . enjoys good music . . . "Jeff" . . . neat as a pin.

## CLYDE E. JERICHO

General

769 Meldon Avenue

Football 2, 3, 4; Track Manager 3, 4.

"Do or die" gridiron player . . . loud . . . amiable with the girls . . . but rowdy among the boys . . . would like to join the service.

## EUGENIA M. JOBES

Commercial

71 Kenric Avenue

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Student Council 3; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 3, 4.

Gift of gab . . . jolly . . . sympathetic . . . a friend in need . . . has an ever-ready smile.

## FRANCES M. KALINOSKI

Academic

R. D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Yearbook Staff 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2, Secretary-Treasurer 3; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer 3, Secretary-Treasurer 4; Class Treasurer 3; Usher Club Treasurer 3, 4.

Farmer . . . friend to all . . . has a special way with the opposite sex . . . twinkling eyes . . . adores P.O.D. (or the teacher??).

## CASMER J. KEARNS

Commercial

1119 Fayette Avenue

Basketball 3.

Stan Musial enthusiast . . . expert knowledge of baseball . . . drives a black Buick . . . industrious . . . modest . . . friendly.

RITA JEAN HUBER  
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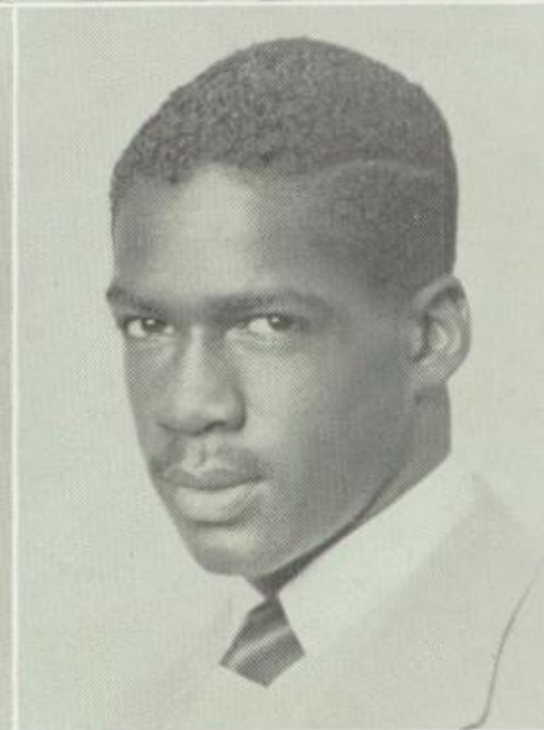
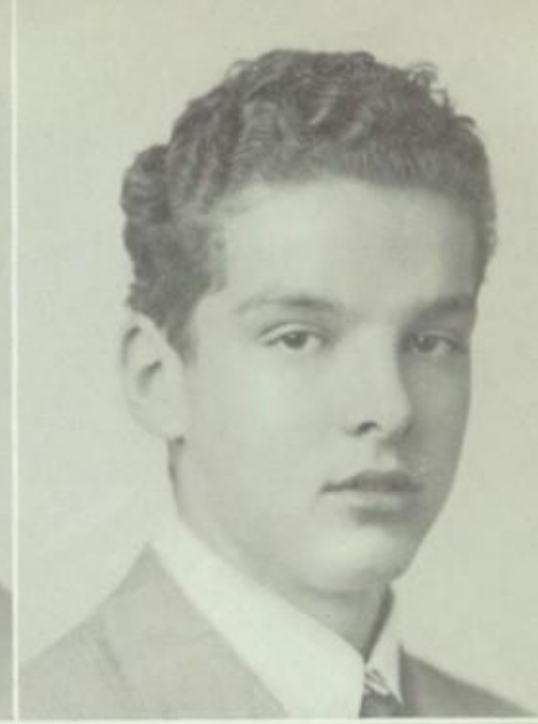
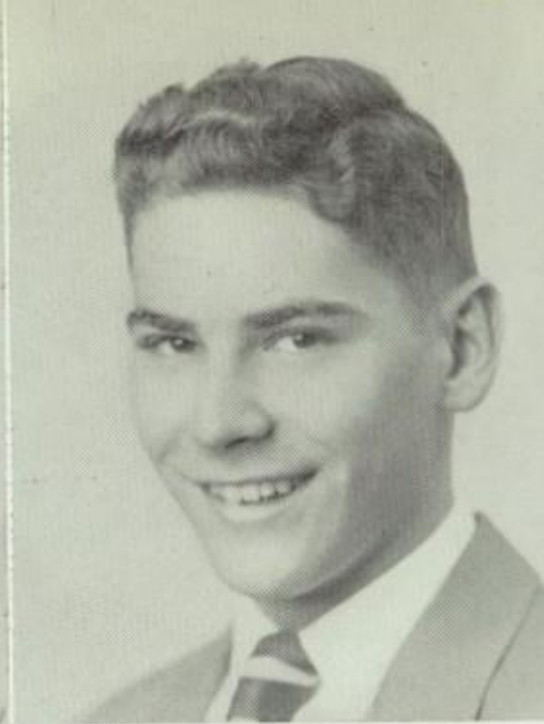
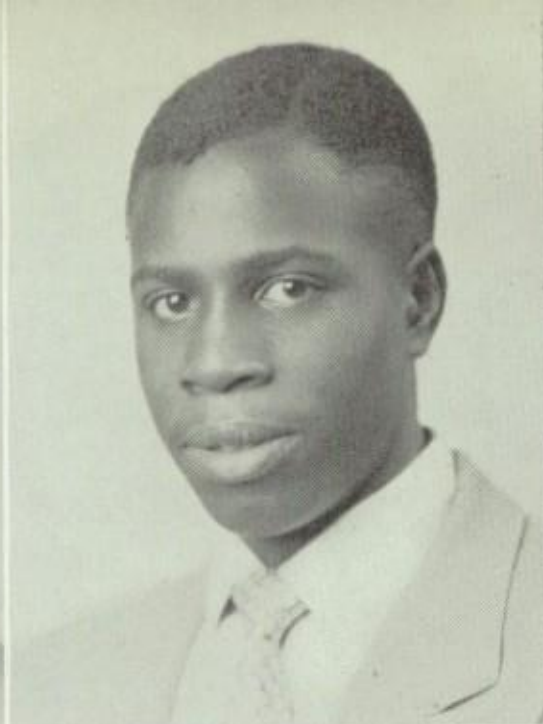
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FRANK LARIO  
SOPHIE LOMAX

#### JOSEPH P. KOSTOLANSKY

Academic

111 Brokaw Avenue

Baseball 3, 4; Basketball 2; Football Manager 2, 3, 4;  
Language Club 2, 3, President 4; Student Council 3, 4;  
Class President 3; Class Treasurer 4.

An intelligent Joe . . . mixes good looks and brains . . . friendly  
nature . . . girl shy . . . always the perfect manager.

#### DOUGLAS C. LANIER, JR.

Academic

1028 Marelda Avenue

Band 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4.

"Duke" . . . serio-comic nature . . . distance runner . . .  
ecclesiastical ambitions . . . plays a mean bass horn.

#### JOSEPH F. LAPSON

Commercial

431 Norman Avenue

Baseball 3, 4; Varsity Dragon Staff 2.

Ladies' man . . . smooth dancer . . . devilish at times . . .  
has own gang . . . easy to tease . . . streak of charm.

#### FRANKLIN M. LARIO

Commercial

313 Locust Street

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3.

Easy-going manner . . . attractive curly hair . . . plus dimples  
. . . has the makings of a good friend.

#### CHARLES E. LESOVIC

Academic

Grandview

Band 3, 4; Language Club 3, 4.

Shy guy . . . "hot lips" with the trumpet . . . intelligent country  
boy with freckles, and blond hair . . . "Chuck."

#### ZYLPHA MAE LITTLE

Commercial

103 Tenth Street

Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Quiet and reserved . . . mild mannered . . . easy smile . . .  
modest . . . neat . . . not too talkative . . . good class attitude.

#### GEORGE W. LOINES

Commercial

524 Sixth Street

Basketball 2; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

"Hooker" . . . southern drawl . . . polite . . . witty . . . Benny  
and Rochester combined . . . sincere . . . basketball whiz . . .  
has good times.

#### SOPHIE M. LOMAX

Commercial

Box 177

Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Orchestra  
2, 3, 4.

Never serious . . . always doing nightwork?? . . . likes to  
take it easy . . . slight temper . . . volleyball spiker . . .  
determined.



# WE SENIORS ACKNOWLEDGE DONORA'S NEWSPAPER

*It strives to keep us informed*

## DAVID E. LONG

General

R. D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Baseball Manager 4; Concessions 4.

Never says much . . . reserved . . . has to ride the school bus . . . likes outdoors . . . lunchtime basketball player.

## PATRICK A. L. MAIER

Academic

917 Thompson Avenue

Baseball 3, 4; Debate Club 3, 4; Concessions 4; "Forever Albert" 4.

Pleasant . . . curly hair . . . Mr. Grilli's pet peeve . . . practiced wisecracker . . . "I can be good for nothing" . . . likes to square dance.

## AGNES JEAN MALIA

Commercial

741 Heslep Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 3; Yearbook Staff 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

A new and extremely short coiffure . . . friendly . . . never caught studying . . . her main topic, MEN.

## PATRICK R. MALIE

General

748 Thompson Avenue

Football and Track Manager 2, 3, 4.

Likes older women . . . one of the white hat gang . . . frequent visitor at the Belvidere and Blue Goose . . . bashful.

## MARGARET C. MCGHEE

Commercial

572 McKean Avenue

Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3.

All-around sport . . . "Peg" . . . only comes to school to play basketball . . . lots of wit . . . a one-girl team.

## JOHN R. MELLON

Academic

530 Thompson Avenue

Concessions 4.

"Stick" . . . good thinker . . . Bill Guyker's best friend . . . star at Norton's lot . . . knows only males.

## BERNICE MERRITT

Commercial

325 Locust Street

Always willing to lend a helping hand . . . chief Senior candy seller . . . baby voice . . . tiny . . . quiet.

## NORMA J. MICENKO

Commercial

212 Fourth Street

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, Treasurer 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3, 4.

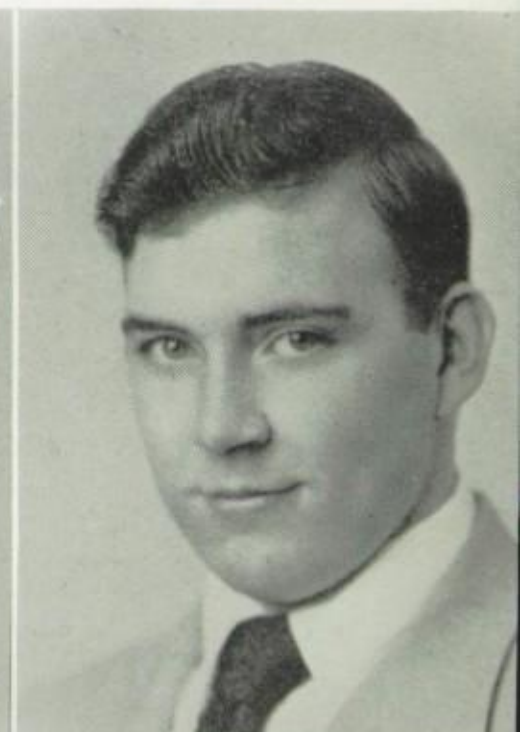
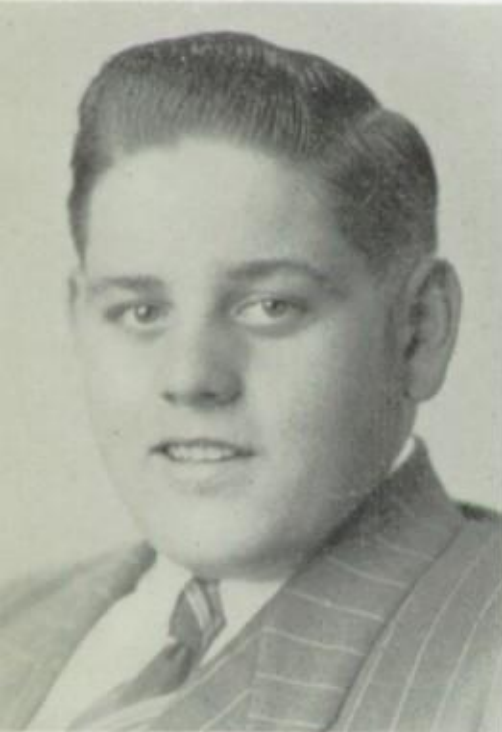
Outside interests . . . loves to argue . . . very friendly . . . excitable . . . vitality plus . . . enjoys jokes.

DAVID LONG  
MARGARET MCGHEE

PATRICK MAIER  
JOHN MELLON

AGNES MALIA  
BERNICE MERRITT

PATRICK MALIE  
NORMA MICENKO







PEPPINO MIGLIORI  
ROSEMARY MUIA

JOSEPH MILLER  
ELIZABETH NESTOR

GEORGE MORGAN  
LOUISE NOVAK

CHARLES MUIA  
RUTH NYE

### PEPPINO J. MIGLIORI

Commercial  
17 Watkins Avenue  
Track 3, 4.  
Prankster . . . talks to everyone . . . never grows any taller . . . constantly brags about South Donora.

### JOSEPH V. MILLER

Academic  
532 Ohio Street  
Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Debate Club 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.  
Math and Physics scholar . . . faithful follower of Mr. P. G. Hayes . . . has a sharp wit . . . enjoys night life.

### GEORGE R. MORGAN

Academic  
Locust Street  
Former Mon-City roofer . . . Golden Gloves boxer . . . quiet . . . modest . . . only trouble is girls.

### CHARLES F. MUIA

Academic  
116 Castner Avenue  
Band 2, 3, 4; Track 2.  
A sleek sheik . . . Jack's sidekick . . . cause of Mr. Grilli's gray hairs . . . witty . . . makes good majorette at pep meetings.

### ROSEMARY MUIA

Commercial  
232 McKean Avenue  
Admires out-of-town boys . . . couldn't be smaller . . . streamlined hairdo . . . gets around a lot.

### ELIZABETH HELEN NESTOR

Academic  
900 Meldon Avenue  
Language Club 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 3, 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.  
Full of vim and vigor . . . good friend . . . has her serious moments . . . singing enthusiast.

### LOUISE B. NOVAK

Academic  
54 Allen Avenue  
Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 4; Cheerleader 2; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.  
Steady beau . . . gorgeous blonde hair . . . reserved . . . never in a hurry . . . appreciates a good joke . . . sly smile.

### RUTH M. NYE

Commercial  
R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.  
Has a friendly smile for all . . . diligent worker . . . bus traveler . . . will not be seen without Minerva.



# WE SENIORS ARE GRATEFUL FOR DONORA'S SCHOOLS

*They have laid the foundation for our future*

## THOMAS F. O'HARE

Commercial  
217 Seventh Street

Usher at the Harris . . . mischievous grin . . . jester . . . can be found with "Dusty" . . . flirts with the girls . . . always a "Hello."

## MICHAEL E. O'MASTA

Commercial  
121 Teeple Avenue

Hearty laugh . . . always moving around . . . unruly wavy hair . . . happy-go-lucky . . . likes friends . . . mischievous manner . . . quite a reader.

## CARL F. PALMER

Commercial  
224 Allen Avenue  
Track 3, 4.

Easy-going . . . good natured . . . quite a romeo . . . witty . . . polite . . . part of 102's gang . . . laughs at himself.

## PAUL P. PALUCIS

Commercial  
1110 Thompson Avenue  
Baseball manager 3, 4; Projector operator 2, 3, 4.

"Peter" . . . minus height . . . mischievous plus . . . diligent student at times . . . harmless agitator.

## ALICE J. PASTOR

Commercial  
405 Chestnut Street  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2.

Short and quiet . . . reserved personality . . . has many changeable moods . . . always has a neat appearance . . . steady male.

## BERNARD N. PAVELKO

Commercial  
503 Murray Avenue  
Band 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4.

Reserved . . . "L.S.M.F.T." . . . carries a bass horn around with the band . . . girl shy . . . neat dresser.

## JOHN M. PAZEJ

Commercial  
409 Seventh Street

Loud . . . boisterous . . . pesters the girls . . . "Blossom" . . . enjoys the limelight.

## IRENE D. PENAK

Commercial  
724 Allen Avenue  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3.

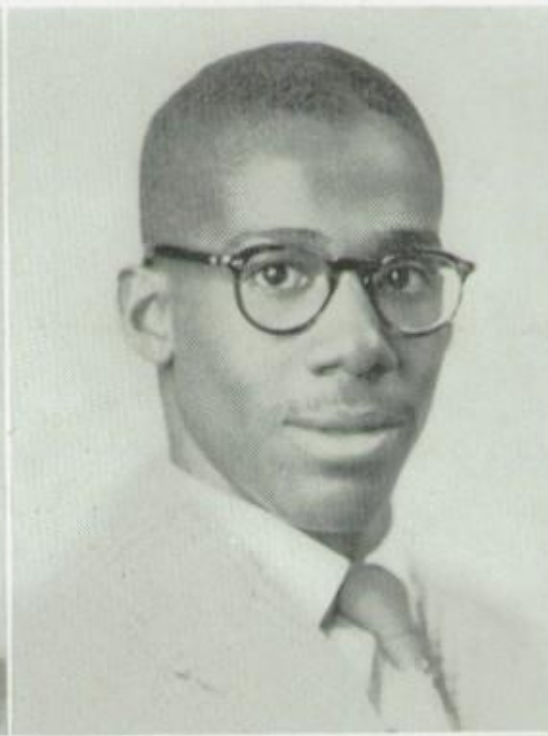
"Herbie" . . . enlivens dull situations . . . shorty? . . . fun loving . . . nice to know . . . makes friends easily . . . contagious laugh.

THOMAS O'HARE  
ALICE PASTOR

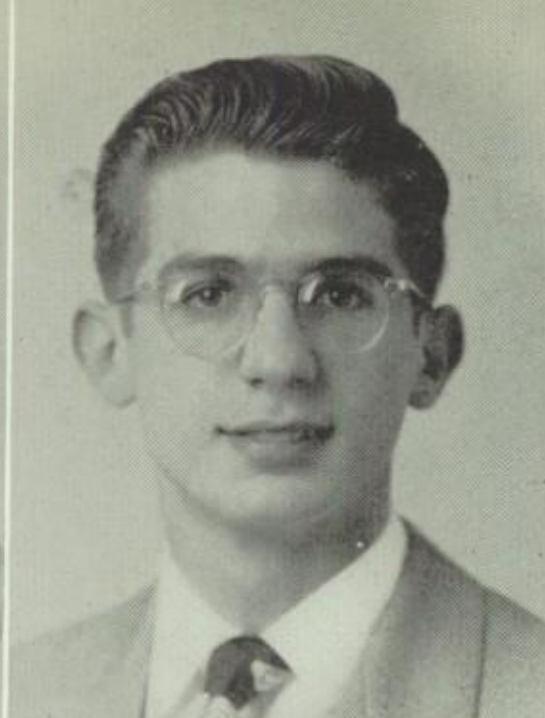
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**ANTHONY POKORNY**  
**FRANCIS READY**

#### **WILLIAM L. PETE**

Academic

637 Thompson Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Debate Club 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 3, 4; Concessions 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.

Noted cartoonist . . . daydreamer . . . flirts with all the girls . . . loves to antagonize teachers . . . can improve on Joe Miller's joke book.

#### **PAUL M. PETRO**

Academic

722 McKean Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, Editor-in-chief 4; Debate Club 2, Vice-President 3, President 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 3, 4; Student Council 4; Concessions 4; Class President 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4.

Brain . . . serious . . . noted violinist . . . always talks debate . . . neat dresser . . . consistently good marks . . . our "Mr. President."

#### **BARBARA L. POKLEMB**

Commercial

1131 Marelda Avenue

Yearbook Staff 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Hearty laugh . . . excitable . . . good to have around . . . never at a loss for words . . . swell pal.

#### **ANTHONY R. POKORNY**

Academic

Victory Hill

"Korny" . . . class clown . . . Pete Worhatch's best friend . . . Victory Hill boy . . . likes country girls . . . A-1 agitator.

#### **RALPH PRYSTASH**

Academic

59 Allen Plan

Football 2, 3, 4.

"Herky" . . . 201's version of Peck's Bad Boy . . . born agitator . . . has a weird laugh.

#### **SARA R. PUIA**

Commercial

241 Meade Street

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Student Council 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 4.

Likes to dance . . . steady beau . . . Gerrie's sidekick . . . wears red . . . participates in sports . . . travels in a green convertible.

#### **JOSEPH A. RANDS**

Academic

526 Second Street

Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 4; Basketball 2, 3; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Language Club 2, 3, Vice-President 4; Student Council 3, 4; Class Vice-President 3, 4.

"Ozzie" . . . the quiet type . . . has no enemies . . . studious . . . all-around athlete . . . seems to prefer blondes.

#### **FRANCIS E. READY**

General

847 Heslep Avenue

Baseball 3, 4.

Long easy stride . . . likes to jest . . . plus height (6' 3") steers clear of books . . . prankster . . . active.



# WE SENIORS REVERENCE DONORA'S MANY CHURCHES

*They mold the moral tenor of our living*

## STELMA RHINES

Commercial  
331 Locust Street  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Debate Club 3; Con-  
cessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 4.  
Can always be found with a book . . . artistic talents . . .  
sharp dresser . . . absorbs news broadcasts.

## JOHN R. RHODES

General  
836 McKean Avenue  
Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 2;  
Projector Operator 2, 3, 4.  
Shy smile . . . Coach Russell's star . . . you can look for him  
at Pete's . . . always in the know . . . "Dusty."

## HELENE MARIE RIESENBECK

Commercial  
33 South McKean Avenue  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Student Council 4; Girls'  
Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, President 4; Orches-  
tra 2, 3; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.  
A friend to all . . . good worker . . . always has a beau . . .  
lots of fun . . . good dancer . . . "Cindy" fame in "Strictly  
Formal."

## JACK M. RITCHIE

General  
R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.  
Football 3, 4; Track 2, 4.  
Nicotine fiend . . . lady killer but doesn't like Donora girls . . .  
curly hair . . . doesn't say much . . . dropped school.

## MARGARET A. RITCHIE

Academic  
627 McKean Avenue  
Band majorette 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.  
"Ann" . . . quick temper . . . not a bit bashful . . . always  
clowning . . . usually seen with the gang . . . basketball star.

## DONALD J. RUSCITTI

Academic  
522 Eighth Street  
Football 2, 3, 4.  
Football hero . . . outstanding in assembly programs . . .  
great speaker . . . "Herky's" better half . . . "Runt" . . .  
gentleman.

## LUCY J. RUSSELL

Commercial  
1140 McKean Avenue  
Band 2, 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3,  
4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4.  
Belongs to the 12th Street gang . . . never gets mad . . . tall'n  
slim . . . queer little laugh.

## RITA L. SADLER

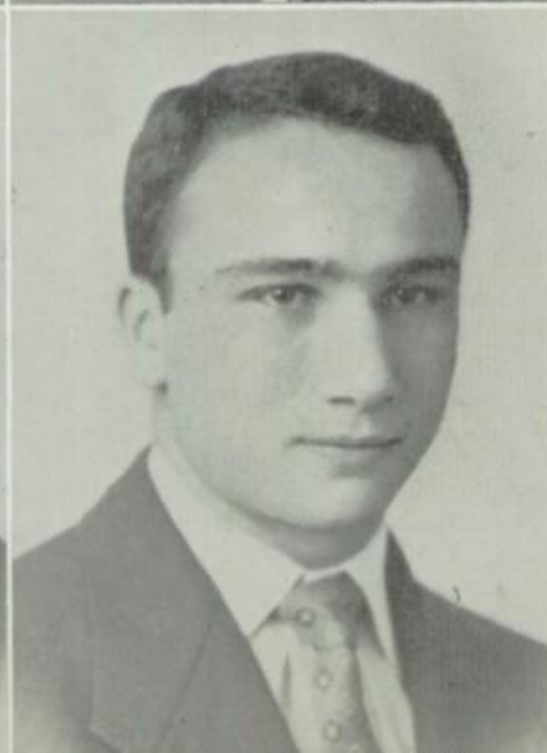
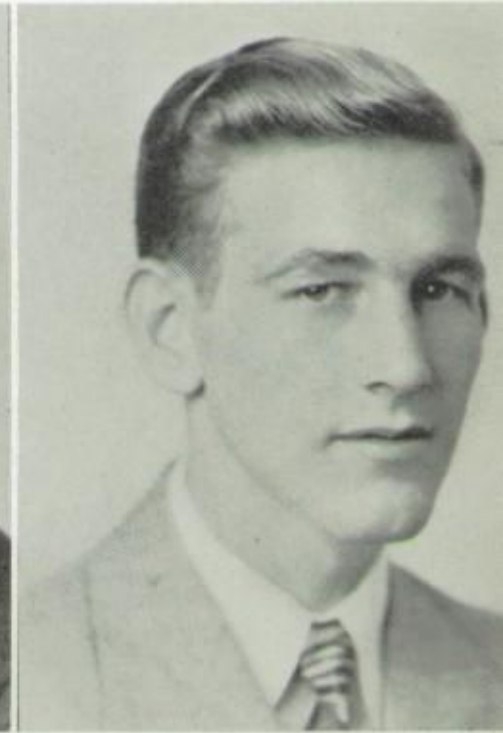
Commercial  
Donora Place Plan  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League  
2, 3, 4; Usher Club 4.  
Pleasant smile . . . blushes easily . . . a man-hater? . . . has  
moody moments . . . "Go on you" . . . good sense of humor.

STELMA RHINES  
MARGARET A. RITCHIE

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VERONICA SALAT  
DOLORES SHERRER

JANET SALCICCIOLI  
ROBERT SINCLAIR

JOSEPHINE SAWA  
LARRY SIREN

MARGARET SCHMIDT  
GERALDINE SKRAITZ

### VERONICA A. SALAT

Commercial

828 Heslep Avenue

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, Vice-President 4; Varsity Dragon Staff 3; Yearbook Staff Business Manager 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 3, 4.

"Vee" . . . a student . . . lovely smile . . . sweet personality . . . a gem in typing . . . will make some man lucky.

### JANET A. SALCICCIOLI

Commercial

416 Kenneth Street

Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

"Sass" . . . has her chosen buddies . . . skating enthusiast . . . bleached bangs . . . warming smile . . . athletic-minded.

### JOSEPHINE A. SAWA

Commercial

601 Fifth Street

Varsity Dragon Staff 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3.

"Jozia" . . . sports addict . . . can always be found with her gang . . . frequents New Eagle skating rink.

### MARGARET V. SCHMIDT

Commercial

R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 3, Subscription Manager 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.

"Peggy" . . . superb actress . . . movie fan . . . waiting for THE male . . . rosy cheeks . . . likes to give parties.

### DOLORES A. SHERRER

Commercial

111 First Street

Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Good salesman . . . chatters all the time . . . likes to talk to the boys . . . tends to get angry.

### ROBERT J. SINCLAIR

Commercial

109 Modisette Street

"Sinkie" . . . soft voice . . . gets along with everyone . . . shy . . . doesn't bother with girls . . . quiet and modest.

### LARRY W. SIREN

Academic

628 Fifth Street

Band 2, 3, Publicity Director 4; Debate Club 2; "Strictly Formal" 3; "Forever Albert" 4.

One of Corno's men . . . bright . . . Anderson's sidekick . . . displays trim appearance at all times . . . not very noisy.

### GERALDINE M. SKRAITZ

Commercial

129 Waddell Avenue

Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Student Council 3; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; "Forever Albert" 4.

Cute trick . . . thinks tennis is a great sport . . . pleasant disposition . . . has a sweet smile . . . a friend to all.



# WE SENIORS PRAISE DONORA'S BOARD OF HEALTH

*To safeguard our health is its goal*

## EVELYN A. SMITH

Academic

51 South McKean Avenue  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Always in a good mood . . . gestures while she talks . . .  
dependable . . . usually changing hair styles.

## JANE C. SMITH

Academic

404 First Street  
Varsity Dragon Staff 2, 3, 4; Language Club 3, 4; Yearbook  
Staff 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4.

Lover of horses . . . artistic mind . . . wants to be a vet . . .  
likes to read . . . quiet . . . prefers walking.

## PATRICIA J. SMYKSY

Commercial

452 Third Street  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League  
2, 3, 4.

Forward . . . independent spirit . . . quite a talker . . . sociable  
. . . gives compliments . . . as nice as they come.

## ROSEANN STEEFE

Commercial

Craven Hill, R.D. No. 1, Monongahela, Pa.  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Chatterbox . . . giggles frequently . . . flighty . . . likes to  
play the piano . . . a good listener . . . blonde.

## WILLIAM STETSER

Academic

63 Allen Plan  
Baseball Manager 2, 3.

"Squeeks" . . . very quiet . . . shy guy . . . good student . . .  
hard to get acquainted with . . . active in baseball season.

## DALE B. STEWART

Academic

206 Third Street  
Football 3; Track 2, 3, 4.

"Increase" . . . has a good sense of humor . . . great tennis  
champ . . . glib talker . . . "Lump" Schmitt's manager and  
instructor.

## DONALD R. STOFKO

General

218 Thompson Avenue

Came back to Donora . . . sociable with boys . . . always  
working . . . "Stuffy."

## BETTIE E. STUTLER

Academic

745 McKean Avenue  
Varsity Dragon Staff 3; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4;  
Tri-Hi-Y 4; Language Club 2, 3, 4.

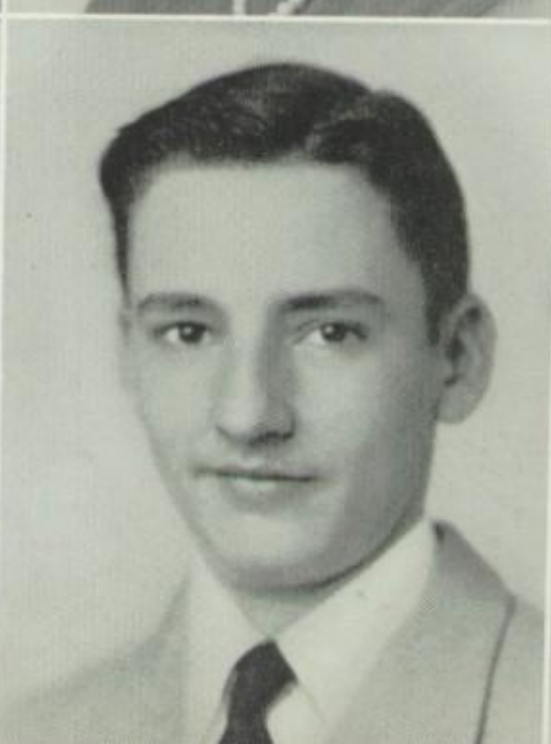
Tall . . . stately manners . . . always seen with Slim's gang  
. . . reserved . . . slightly sarcastic . . . trim dresser.

E. ALLENE SMITH  
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**GERALDINE VUKICH**

**WILLIAM TURKOVICH**  
**JOHN WATROBA**

**JESSE E. TARTT**

Commercial  
345 Third Street  
Track 4.

102's angel? ? ? . . . makes sharp remarks . . . thinks he dislikes girls . . . joke fiend . . . has pals . . . a regular comedian.

**FAITH W. THARP**

Academic  
636 McKean Avenue

Language Club 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, Head of Basketball 3, 4; "Strictly Formal" Prompter 3; "Forever Albert" Prompter 4.

Delightful . . . the height of energetic action . . . G.A.L.'s prize basketball star . . . moody at times . . . lots of fun.

**PATRICIA A. THOMSON**

Commercial  
567 McKean Avenue  
Junior Chamber of Commerce 3; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Peaches and cream complexion . . . if lost, look in Isaly's . . . volleyball lover . . . boys are her specialty.

**WILLIAM TURKOVICH**

Commercial  
708 Sycamore Alley  
Football 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 2; Projector Operator 2, 3, 4.

"Turk" . . . stellar football player . . . usually pulling pranks . . . never walks . . . always at Matt's . . . used to be quite a wrestler.

**JOHN E. VARGO**

Commercial  
630 Sixth Street

Hasn't much to say . . . does have manners . . . thoughtful . . . can be aroused . . . shy . . . deep voice . . . quiet.

**MARY MARGARET VAYANSKY**

Academic  
214 Waddell Avenue

Language Club 3, 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Neat dresser . . . friendly disposition . . . has her problems . . . especially typing . . . cute and simple . . . loves to wash blackboards.

**GERRY M. VUKICH**

Commercial  
513 Third Street  
Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Minus height . . . prefers out-of-town boys . . . loquacious . . . haunts New Eagle skating rink.

**JOHN J. WATROBA**

Academic  
523 Ohio Street  
Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4.

"Yush" . . . a really great football and basketball star . . . nice to know . . . member of the Prospect Gang.



# WE SENIORS VALUE DONORA'S COMMUNITY CENTER

*It offers recreation and education to us*

## DOLORES A. WAZNY

Academic

834 McKean Avenue

Band 2; Debate Club 2; Language Club 3, 4; Cheerleader 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, Secretary 4; "Strictly Formal" 3.

"Slim" . . . boisterous . . . loquacious . . . new addition to the cheerleaders . . . energetic . . . "Give the girls a chance."

## FANNIE M. WHITE

Commercial

539 Allen Avenue

Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Good natured . . . laughs any time, any place . . . on the go all the time . . . many friends . . . pianist.

## PEGGY J. WILES

Commercial

769 Meldon Avenue

Varsity Dragon Staff 3, 4; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4.

Pleasant and lively . . . twinkling eyes . . . always ready for a good time . . . sociable . . . has a long walk to school.

## PETER P. WORHATCH

Academic

211 Fifteenth Street

Track Manager 2, 3; Concessions 4.

Mischievous . . . big for his age . . . Petro's enemy . . . comes from Fifteenth Street gang . . . girls think he's cute . . . and he is!

## MARY ANN ZUNICH

Commercial

513 Allen Avenue

Junior Chamber of Commerce Corresponding Secretary 3, President 4; Student Council 2; Concessions 4; Girls' Athletic League 2, 3, 4; Usher Club 3, 4; Athletic Usher 2, 3, 4.

Takes studies seriously . . . leadership ability . . . likes to have good times . . . floorwalker (Five & Ten) . . . original laugh.

## MAJORETTE PRACTICE

PEGGY WILES

PETER WORHATCH

DOLORES WAZNY

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FANNIE WHITE  
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## TOURING THE TIMES, PAST AND PRESENT WITH '51

Spring had come to Donora High School. We seniors waited impatiently in front of our Alma Mater for a bus, as we planned a trip to revive the golden memories of bygone school days. The bus rumbled up the street, screeched on the brakes and came to a dead stop in front of our merry group. "Herky" Prystash plowed through the confused group and captured the first seat. As we got settled and were pulling away from the curb, Dougie Lanier, Tommy O'Hara, and Paul Palucis insulted the bus driver by singing "B-U-S, B-U-S, runs just like a washing machine" and consequently were made to sit in the luggage rack.

We rode for what seemed an eternity (really only twelve years) back, back through the portals of time. As we gazed out of the bus windows tiny specks which were gradually becoming visible turned out to be "Peppy" Fernandez pulling Peg Forsyth's pigtails. The principal had Joe Lapsen and Jimmy Clendenon by the ear for throwing paper wads (haven't changed much, have they?). And there's Chuckie Muia's mother explaining to the teacher why he's always late. That looks like Fred Casson in his patrol boy uniform, but I'm not sure because things are growing dimmer and dimmer.

I almost jumped out of my seat when Frank Bisacky shouted "Look, I'll never forget that day!" And there we were again, this time hiding from the upper classmen for that was our first day at Junior High School and as Greenies we were being properly initiated. Poor little (?) Fritz Ready was taking an awful beating. Say, there's B. J. Benvie and Eulaine Hozdulick scrubbing the teachers' entrance with a toothbrush, in that get-up it must be Tri-Hi-Y initiation.

By this time our bus windows were getting all steamed up. So we pulled out our scarfs and with a few quick swishes cleaned them off, and saw before us a sophisticated group of freshmen (that's OUR adjective for US!) We had increased in number since the parochial schools and Sampson Star had joined

us. Mary Hairston, Gloria Jefferson and Elaine Barton were reading Bill Pete's News-breaker article telling of the selection of Charlyne Faller as May Queen and Louise Novak as her Maid of Honor. I can make out a figure of excellent stature, yes, it's Dr. Duda. Listen! He's announcing that Joe Kostolansky and Charlyne Faller are to share the honors of the American Legion Award, and that Fritz Greenlee and Jesse Tartt had better not be late for Promotion Exercises this evening.

Ah! a tunnel of darkness as time goes marching by. Faintly, I could hear the bus driver calling Senior High School. And then we were sophomores entering high school. Jack Ritchie, "Sinky" Sinclair and Gerry Vukich were among the first of us to get lost in this maze of unfamiliarity, new teachers, school, subjects and clubs. Yes, we had our share of all of them. Gerrie Baldini and Betty Duncan were the first to sign up for G. A. L. and Charlyne Faller and Louise Novak campaigned successfully to become our representatives on the cheering squad. Passing bus windows are Jerry Buchko and Bill Gaydos carrying lumber for stage scenery; you see the senior slave-drivers worked the poor sophomores to the bone (head work they call it).

The scene is slowly changing and Jack Frost has dipped into his paint can and late autumn is here. Check this, there's Mary Ann Zunich, "Herby" Penak, Normie Micenko and the rest of their gang hurrying up the hill to the Class Party. What a night! Remember "Squeeks" Stetser and Reggie Gillingham as the **noisy** Cubs (some laugh).

As we traveled closer to the present you can catch the air of superiority about Ronnie Cross and Steve Gula as they go to their respective junior homerooms. It must be time for a football game for here come the three junior cheerleaders, Charlyne Faller, Ann Gonzalez, and Faith Tharp in their uniforms, and Jean Huber, our head majorette, twirling her baton. Look there's Miss Kelly taking pictures of our Junior Class Officers



## TOURING THE TIMES, PAST AND PRESENT WITH '51

for the yearbook (cheesecake?). Before we could realize a maze of our money-making tea dances swept past the windows and gave way to our Class Play, "Strictly Formal," and "Cindy" Riesenbeck with all her junk, including that loud bass horn, was going out with Larry Siren (a good looking Southern Lieutenant). What a riot! Here comes Room 203 sporting their red schmoos for selling the most tickets for the play.

Now the scene changes to the gym and our Junior Class Party with Pete Worhatch and Zylpha Mae Little colliding on scooters. Then came spring, and a fellow's mind slowly turns to thoughts of—how to get to the Country Club after the Prom. Peg Schmidt and Larry Siren, Jack Bowen and Ann Ritchie, Don Anderson and Peg Forsyth had a wonderful time at the Rotary Club's Prom Party (the first of its kind in Donora). Hey, bus driver! We better be moving along because here come Sophie Lomax, Allene Smith, and Fannie Mae White followed by a whole gang to get their yearbooks, and to watch the Class of '50 leave our protective fold.

A thin, grey mist covered the bus (could it be the smog, again?) and when it lifted WE WERE SENIORS. Hear that racket! It's a pep meeting. They've chosen "Slim" Wazny to join our three vets from last year on the senior cheering squad. They're cheering Bercik, Jericho, and Ruscitti along with the rest of our stellar football team. Of course, our band deserves a hat full of cheers too. All of the senior majorettes, Mary Amoroso, Betty Angelo, Jean Bartoli, Minerva Assad, Sal Gibson, Peg Forsyth, Ann Ritchie, always put on a swell half-time show under the watchful eye of Jean Huber. We played a lot of muddy games so managers Pat Malia and Joe Kostolansky have a dirty job on their hands.

Olive Mae Fotheringham stuck her head out of the bus window too far and got hit with one of "Slim" Wazny's signs for Junior Government Day proclaiming women's rights. In addition to voting for Junior Government officials we also put in an all boy

staff of officers, Petro, Rands, Bercik, Kostolansky. Everyone is carting Pennsylvania books around but it won't do any good because Carol Hickman is already waving her check for \$20 for the best essay on our state. Look at that big crowd on the tennis court. They're boosting Jim Gamble up on their shoulders as the school champ. Here comes Mary Vayansky, Bettie Stutler, and Carmen Battilana with their money bags under their arms, receipts from selling Class Play tickets for "Forever Albert."

The scene switches to the gym. Many of our happiest times took place there. We ran relays and ate heartily at our Class Party, danced to the music of Frankie Barr at the Senior Winter Frolic, dreamed the evening away at the Junior-Senior Prom, and cheered "Yush" Watroba, George Daube, and our other basketball heroes on to victory.

Anthony Pokorny and Dale Stewart let out a long low whistle which made me stare out of our bus windows at Peggy Jean Wiles, Jane Smith, Sissy Jobes, and "Vee" Salat, all dressed up in their Sunday best as they went their way to the Senior Tea. See those costumed individuals? They are Joe Miller, Betty Nestor, and Bob Epperson ready for our Class Day production.

Hey, kids! Look in the principal's office, there's Bill Guyker, Lucy Russell, Sal Puia, Gerry Skraitz, and Chuckie Lesovic, receiving their senior announcements and caps and gowns. Remember how proud we were that day?

Listen! Hear the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance"? We'd better hurry or we'll miss the big event of our twelve years of education. Our bus trip through the past is completed but our future trip to new destinations is only beginning. Some of us will be great contributors in the fields of Science or Fine Arts, others of us will be famous only to our loved ones. No matter in which field we may excel we have all had a firm foundation in Donora Senior High School and will ever remember its noble motto "Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve."



# JUNIOR OFFICERS ASSUME PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CLASS ACTIVITIES

CLASS PARTY

CLASS PLAY

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

TEA DANCES

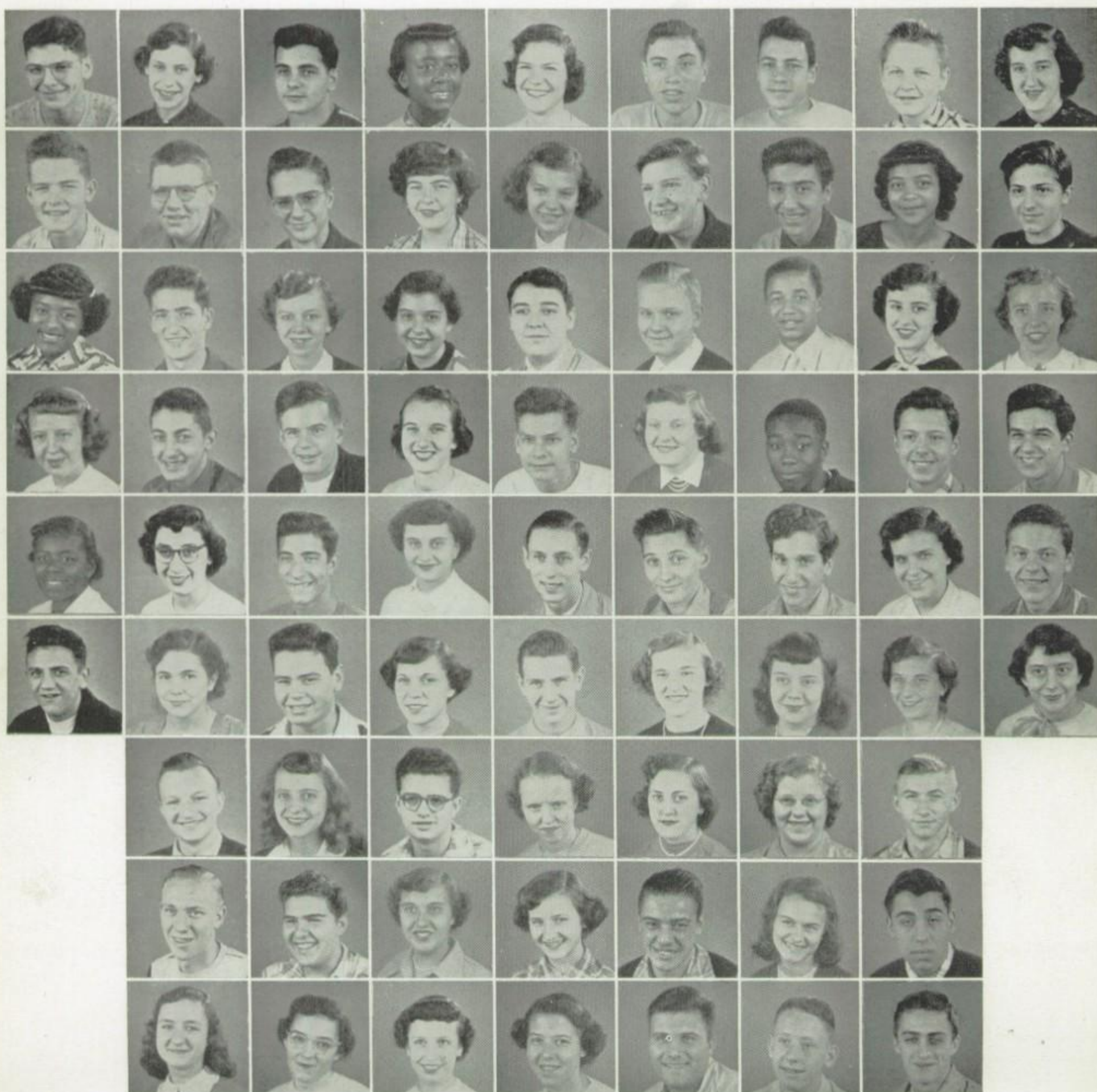


Left to right (seated) Dorothy Kovalak, William Elkins.  
Left to right (standing) William Schmitt, John Thomas.

President ..... WILLIAM ELKINS  
Vice President ..... WILLIAM SCHMITT  
Secretary ..... DOROTHY KOVALAK  
Treasurer ..... JOHN THOMAS



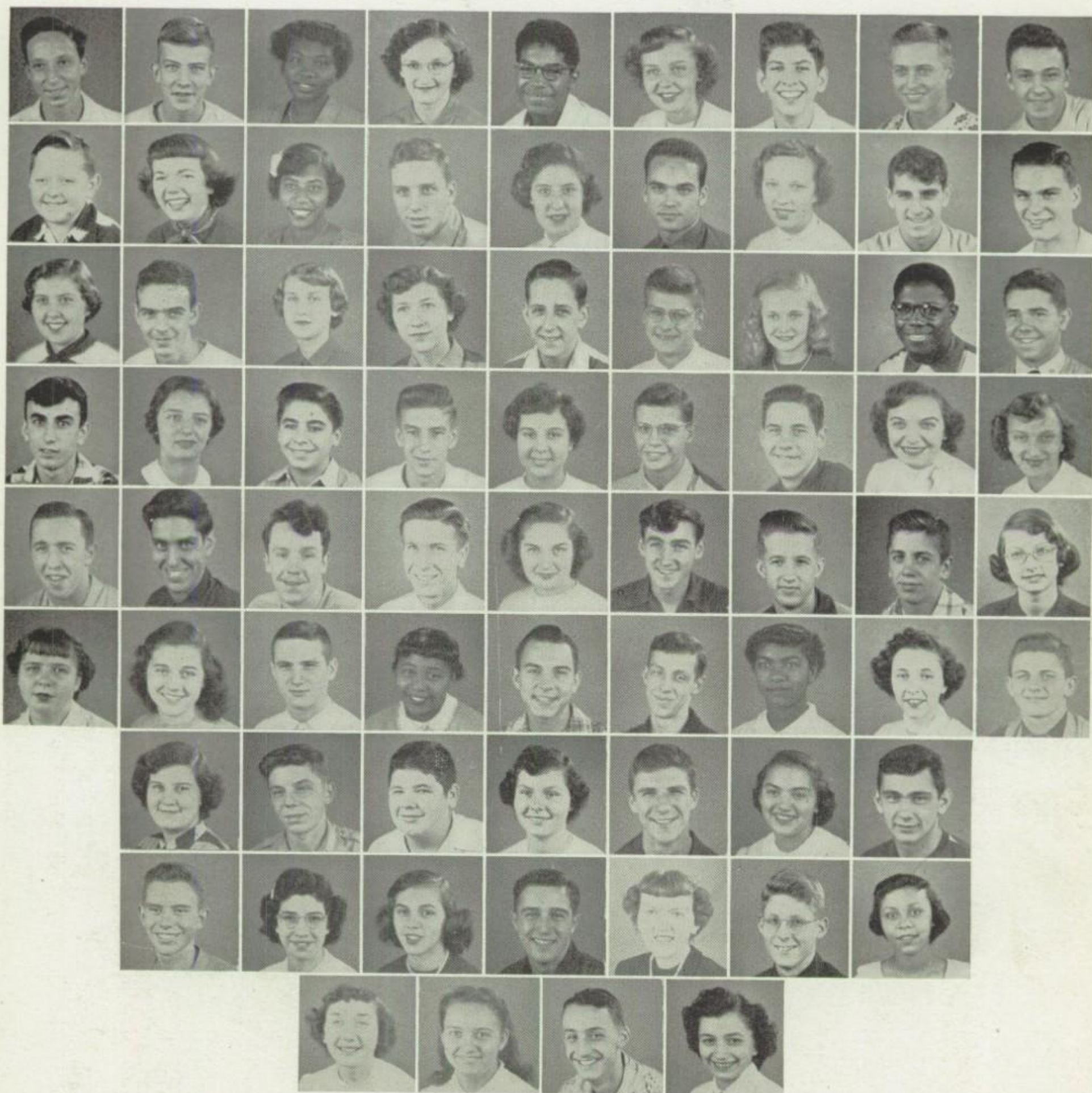
# JUNIOR TALENTS REFLECTED IN HONOR ROLL



- Row 1 (left to right) Sidney Ackerman, Thelma Ackerman, Esau Albert, Elaine Alexander, Joan Alonso, Chris Amicucci, Henry Bachetti, Rudolph Badzik, Rita Battilana.
- Row 2—James Beckley, Howard Behanna, Charles Berestecky, Elizabeth Billick, Norma Blair, Donald Blangger, Michael Bonaventura, Rosie M. Booker, Frank Borino.
- Row 3—Flora Breedlove, Anthony Bucich, Bernice Bukosky, Louise Busto, Jerry Campa, Theodore Carlson, Dorval Carter, Eileen Cerutti, Sally Charles.
- Row 4—Patricia Cheney, Frank Cicconi, Donald Cintella, Helen Cline, William Cooper, Mary Craig, Clarence Crawford, Fred Cristofori, Anthony D'Amore.
- Row 5—Helen Davis, Josephine D'Egidio, Anthony DiMonde, Angeline Drudi, William Elkins, Joseph Fedoris, Merino Fernandez, Patricia Fresa, Myron Friedlander.
- Row 6—Bruno Fronzaglio, Lucille Fronzaglio, Joseph Genovese, Stella Giannamore, Clifford Gilmore, Louise Gonzales, Mona Graser, Marie Greco, Shirley Greco.
- Row 7—Robert Gress, Nancy Guyker, Donald Hill, Dolores Hines, Lillian Hora, Mary A. Horn, John Hornak.
- Row 8—Clyde Horton, John Hudak, Mary A. Hudak, Rita Jaso, William Johns, Elaine Johnson, Ernest Kanes.
- Row 9—Loris Kopac, Shirley Koskoski, Mary Ann Kotecki, Dorothy Kovalak, Edward Koynock, Andrew Kozar, George Krajnik.



# SPORTS, SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, CIVIC PARTICIPATION



- Row 1 (left to right) Edward Lapinsky, William Lawe, Addie L. Lawson, Alvera Litsky, Pressley Lomax, Anna Maier, George Majetich, Richard Malinchak, John Mannarino.
- Row 2—James Masaitis, Joan McConville, Edna Merritt, George Mesher, Marlene Mesher, Delano Migliori, Marian Miller, James Mona, Raymond Moravec.
- Row 3—Geraldine Morgan, Charles Mullen, Shirley Murdoch, Helen Oros, Paul Parquette, Ronald Patch, Margie Patterson, Irving Peatross, Anthony Perfetto.
- Row 4—Eugene Perry, Virginia L. Peters, Dimitri Petro, Bernard Petrus, Rosemary Protz, Frank Puente, James Puglisi, Virginia Pulgini, Janet Pykosh.
- Row 5—Frank Ribovich, Everett Rodriguez, Charles Ross, Abe Ruben, Margaret Rudinec, Stephen Rudinec, Rudolph Sabolcik, William Schmitt, Eleanor Schwalb.
- Row 6—Geraldine Seader, Mayme Seger, George Simpson, Hazel Sloan, John Smith, Leighton Smith, Gwendolyn Spurling, Arlene Steiner, John Stewart.
- Row 7—Geraldine Stima, Paul Stimak, Andrew Stunda, Shirley Suman, John Thomas, Lucille Todora, Michael Torma.
- Row 8—Jon Troy, Mary Tunon, Shirley Urich, Hugo Valdiserri, Sherrie Wall, Robert Weightman, Gladys White.
- Row 9—Esther Woodburn, Anna Yavorsky, John Yocolano, Louise Zenobi.



# STUDENT LIFE AT DONORA HIGH SCHOOL ENCOURAGES PARTICIPATION IN CIVIC LIFE



Row 1 (left to right) Eagle Scout Jack Stewart '52, Robert Epperson '51, are high ranking Boy Scouts; Jack Just '53, Fred Cristofori '52, Maureen Clark and Mary Ann Schmitt both '53, supplement the cast in the Lions Club Children's Theater presentation of "Silver Skates."

Row 2—Patty Fresa '52 leads the flag salute at a weekly meeting of Senior Scouts including: (left to right) Virginia Lee Peters, Dorothy Kovalak, Josephine D'Egidio, Thelma Ackerman, Jerry Stima all '52. Patrick Maier and Joseph Miller '51 are two of the many boys enjoying Rotary Club's weekly hospitality.



# DONORA ORGANIZATIONS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND SELF-EXPRESSION



Row 1 (left to right) Jean Chatlak '53, Richard Elco '53, Mary Ann Schmitt '53 . . . most recent American Legion award winners; Helen Cline, James Beckley, Patty Fresa all '52 were Jr. Red Cross representatives at the National Convention; here they are helping prepare packages for distribution.

Row 2—Dolores Gerbasi '53 helps out in the town library in the evening. Here she charges a book for Miss Godzik; Joseph Kostolansky, Carol Hickman, Louise Novak, all seniors won second, first, and third prize respectively in the Chamber of Commerce annual essay contest during Pennsylvania Week.



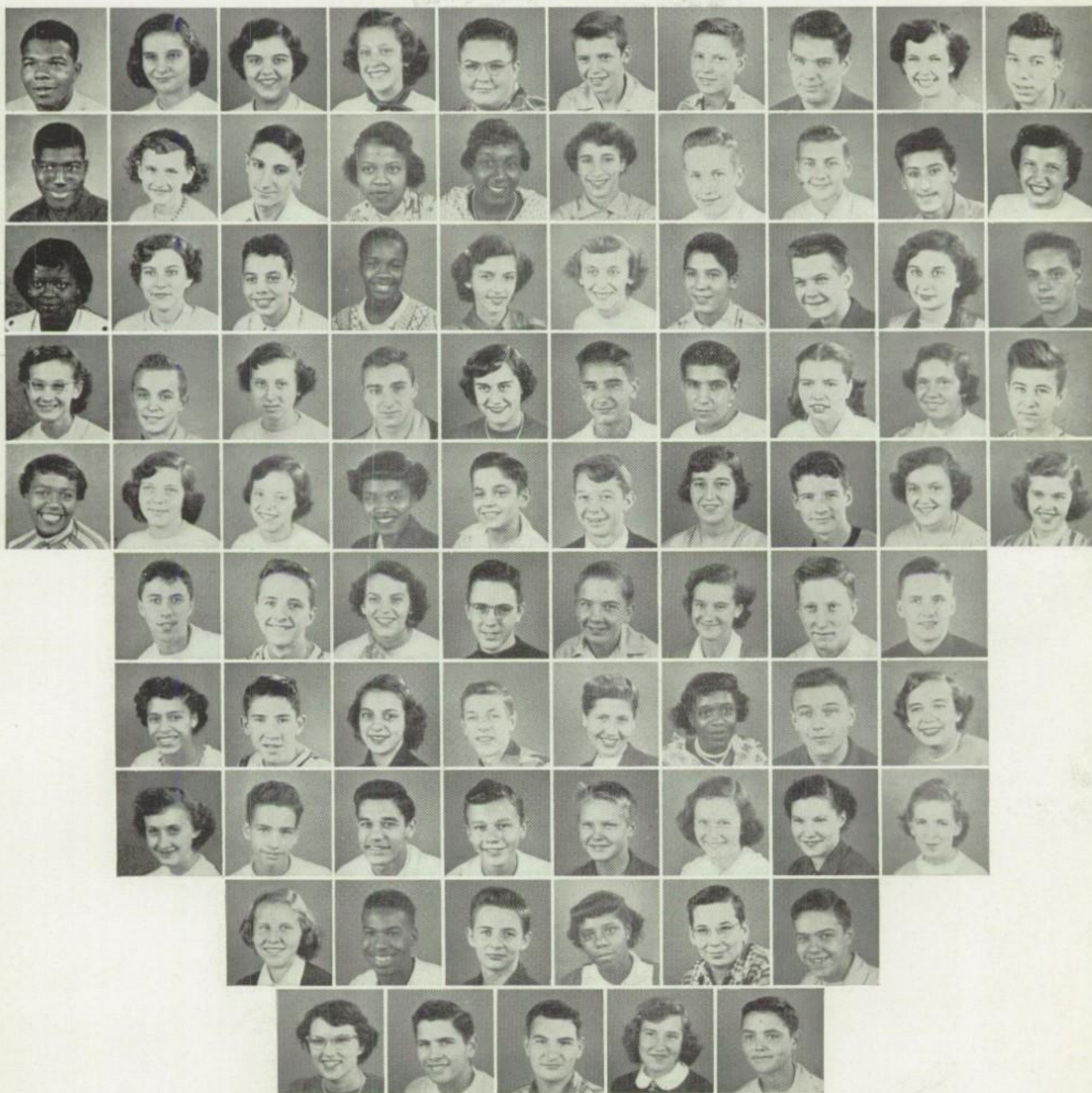
# THE TOWN AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



- Row 1 (left to right) Bernard Adamek, Margaret Adamek, Patricia Alcott, Herbert Allen, Joseph Amatangelo, Marlene Amatangelo, Patricia Andrews, Cyril Assad, Charlotte Axton, John Bandalo.
- Row 2—Samuel Barbour, Patricia Bartley, Charles Barton, Albin Bartron, Elizabeth Beaver, Carol Bedford, Connie Bercik, Arthur Bergamasco, Anthony Bettinelli, Fred Bodnar.
- Row 3—Robert Bowen, Arthur Brown, Paul Bucich, Jerry Burns, James Calzacorta, Ronald Campbell, Dale Cardis, Arwilda Carpenter, Bert Cecconi, Paul Chanko.
- Row 4—Jean Chatlak, Ronald Cintella, Dalton Clark, Maureen Clark, Richard Cline, Donald Compton, Joann Corstorphine, Lee Coughenour, James Coulson, Hugh Couser.
- Row 5—Helen Couser, Leo DiBiasi, Charles Dorincz, Carol Duncan, Richard Elco, Donna Emler, David Epperson, Alden Evans, Angel Fernandez, Libertina Fernandez.
- Row 6—Ellen Fowler, Thomas Francis, Edith Franklin, Gerald Franks, Mary Lou Fresa, Joseph Fronzaglio, Rose Marie Fronzaglio, Suzanne Furnier.
- Row 7—Collette Gedeon, Dolores Gerbasi, Warren Gruessner, John Guyker, Arthur Hayes, Ignatius Hokaj, Jerry Howard, John Howard.
- Row 8—William Hunt, Manuel Ibanez, Donald Iczkowski, Colleen Johnston, Richard Johnston, John Just, Joan Kascik, Edith Kaspick.
- Row 9—Donna Kelley, Manuel Kelley, Jerry Koehler, David Koskoski, Gloria Kostella, Patricia Kowalczyk.
- Row 10—Charles Kozar, Edward Kustron, Adrian Kutska, Donald LaMendola, Edward Lario.



## ARE ENLIVENED BY THE SOPHOMORES



- Row 1 (left to right) John Law, Marian Lelik, Enery Lopez, Margaret Malaski, Gerald Marshall, Kenneth Marshall, Emil Matsko, Thomas McDunn, Mary E. McMinn, Frank Miller.
- Row 2—John Mitchell, Florence Mitro, Robert Mona, Mary A. Moon, Adeline Morgan, Rose Moschini, James Murray, Teddy Musial, Frank Muziani, Gail Nash.
- Row 3—Shirley Obie, Rita Orient, Ronald Pacy, George Palmer, Rebecca Panos, Betty Pasterick, John Pastor, Aldon Pell, Anne Pelliccione, James Perry.
- Row 4—Marlene Petrus, William Pikor, Monica Paklemba, George Polonoli, Betty Povrzenich, Frank Pucel, Frank Puia, Mary J. Rabe, Patricia Ready, Richard Repka.
- Row 5—Dorothy Rhines, Janet Ritchie, Charlene Robson, Dorothy Roddy, Emilio Roncace, Robert Rosborough, Sharlene Roscoe, Duncan Russell, Margaret Saxon, Mary A. Schmitt.
- Row 6—Andrew Sento, John Sento, Joan Sharp, James Simpson, Jay Siren, Mary J. Stacey, Barry Stewart, Charles Stewart.
- Row 7—Irene Stimak, James Strain, Marian Susky, George Syrko, Joan Tabish, Ernestine Taylor, William Teslovich, Gloria Tokay.
- Row 8—Mary L. Tomasiak, Daniel Tunon, Vincent Valeri, Martin Valko, Stephen Vasko, Evelyn Vojtas, Mary A. Vukich, Katherine Walker.
- Row 9—Irene Wehousie, John White, Donald Wilson, Emma Wilson, David Wood, David Wunderlich.
- Row 10—Gail Yates, Manuel Yocolano, Carl Yurko, Pauline Yuschak, Alfred Zyga.



# A VITAL PART OF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRADITION



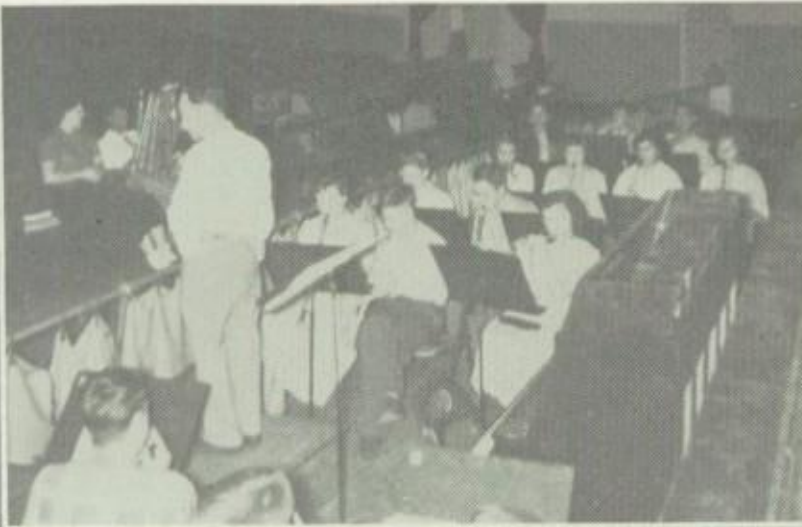
Row 1 (left to right) Attendance Officer Charles Latta, a pioneer citizen of Donora; Office Practice class with Mr. Plavko; Franklin Lario in the Library.

Row 2—Thomas McDunn, Mary Curry, School Nurse Grace Hauck, Flora Chabre, Rita Tedesco . . . at a Senior High School faculty "get-together"; Renato Rutili '19 co-planner of the school seal visits his schoolmate friend P. Garrett Hayes '17 at D.H.S.; Girls in shorthand.

Row 3—A tenth grade English group; The solid geometry class with Miss Hayes; School Director Louis Busto '32.



# Activities



Row 1 (left to right)—Bernice Merritt, Elaine Barton—Senior candy sellers. Mr. Corno tunes up band. Veronica Salat, Miss Kelly count yearbook magazine receipts.

Row 2—Jack Stewart, Richard Elco, William Schmitt—adjust the projector. Gerrie Baldini, Dolores Wazny, Dr. Herk—busy erasing "Beat Monongahela Week." Anne Pelliccione (seated), Peggy Forsyth—prize winners in magazine contest.

Row 3—Gerry Skraitz, Peggy Schmidt, Eulaine Hozdulick—G. A. L. decorators. Enjoying the Language Club Party. Publicity for the Spanish Classes' first project.

Row 4—Ann Gonzalez, Faith Tharp—G. A. L. entertainers. Cheerleaders at pep meeting. Peters, Charles, Bukosky, Todora, Cerutti prepare refreshments for G. A. L. Party.



## DEBATE CLUB PREPARES FUTURE CIVIC SPEAKERS



Left to right—Jack Just, Mary Ann Susky, William Schmitt, Mary J. Rabe, Mary A. Schmitt . . . looking over newly arrived orations; Virginia Peters, Rita Jaso, Patty Fresa, Mary Ann Hudak, Gwendolyn Spurling . . . discussing speech ratings recently posted; Charlyne Faller giving a humorous reading to the amusement of Mary Ann Kotecki, Geraldine Morgan, Marie Sampler, Helen Cline.

The Donora Senior High School Debate Club convened early in September anticipating their usual strenuous season throughout the school year. Coach Thomas B. McDunn welcomed the overly large aggregation of 41 students, among them being both bona fide and prospective members. Coach McDunn promptly introduced to the group their administrative leaders for the 1950-51 season who had been selected by the club at the close of the previous school year. These officers included: Paul Petro, President; George Simpson, Vice-President; Lucille

Todora, Secretary; Fred Cristofori, Treasurer; and Dimitri Petro, Business Manager.

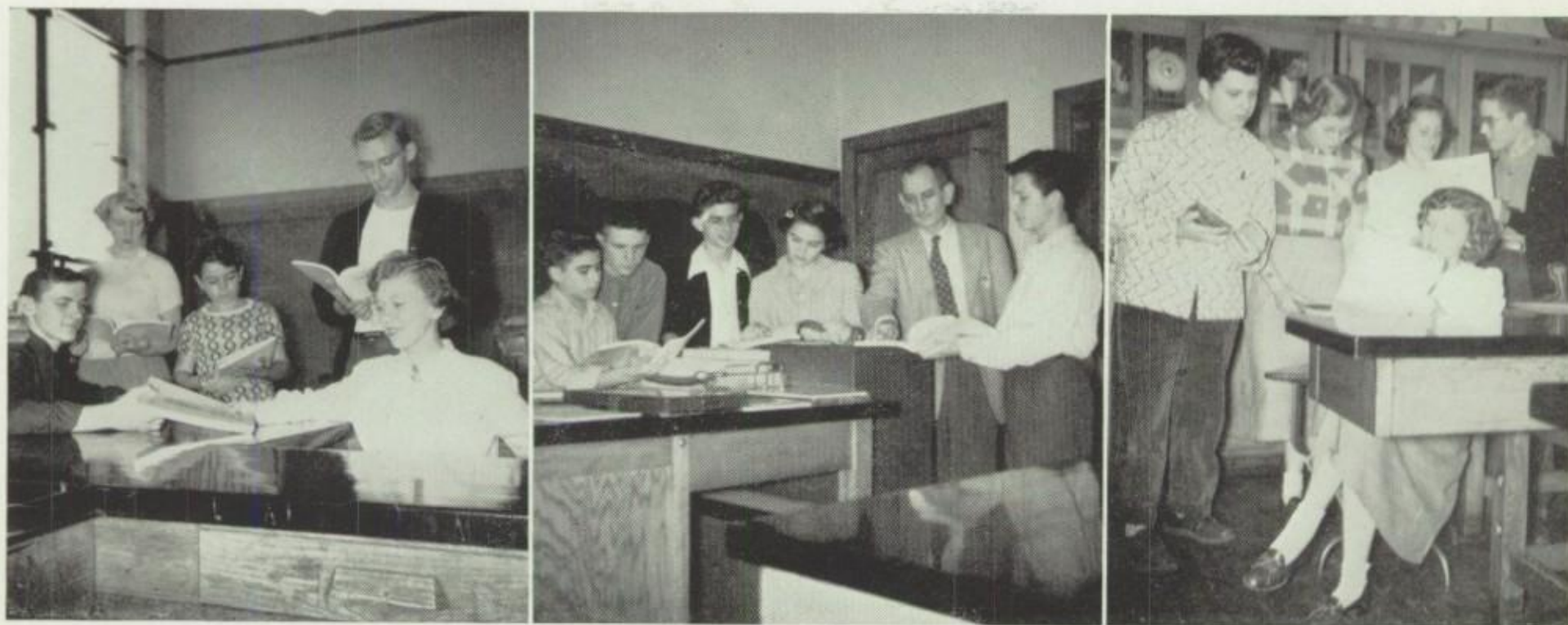
Members of the forensic group have as their goal the fulfillment of the club's two-fold purpose: (1) to develop the ability to express one's convictions before any assembled audience, and (2) to train the mind to think in an orderly and logical manner. This is done through debate and speech. Admission as a member in the National Forensic League is on a basis of points received in inter-scholastic competition in these two phases of activity.



Pat Maier, Gerry Stima, Dorothy Kovalak (speaker), Anthony D'Amore . . . debating the question; Louise Gonzalez, Alvera Litsky, Sally Charles, Loris Kopac, Eileen Cerutti . . . listening to Mr. McDunn, Adviser; Marian Lelik, Don Compton, Richard Elco, Maureen Clark . . . collecting materials for future debates.



## FORENSIC MEMBERS PROMINENT IN DISTRICT CONTESTS



Jack Stewart, Donna Jean Emler, Emilio Roncace, Joseph Miller, Bernice Bukosky . . . checking the debate Manual; Dimitri Petro, George Simpson, Paul Petro, Lucille Todora, Mr. Thomas B. McDunn, Adviser, is giving pointers on effective speech forms, Fred Cristofori; Herbert Allen, Mary Agnes Horn, Margie Malaski, William Pete, Anna Maier (seated) . . . reviewing new source material for debate.

The Debaters, for their analysis, were presented with a highly controversial proposition, Resolved: "That the American People Should Reject the Welfare State." The Welfare State, to quote Elmo Roper, being "a state which attacks systematically the five basic hazards of modern life — disease, ignorance, squalor, idleness, and want—by government action."

The University of Pittsburgh's 13th Annual Debate Tournament was the first important debate meet. The Donora "A" team, Affirmative Fred Cristofori and Joseph Miller and Negative Dimitri and Paul Petro distinguished itself by placing a close second in winning three out of four debates. Donora sponsored its annual tournament in January being host to ten district schools. The Debate squad at this stage of the season had their sights on (1) retaining the Washington County Debate Championship and (2) NFL District Debate Tournament.

The Speech Field is divided into six specific categories which gives the participants a variety from which to choose. The speech

contestants inaugurated the season by journeying to California High School. Looking ahead to district tournaments, the club members were especially anticipating the County and NFL Speech Contests, hoping, of course, to garner their share of "firsts."

A combination of the two phases of forensic activity, debate and speech, is found in the Student Congress Event. Debaters attended both the Practice Student Congress at Monessen and the Student Congress held at North Catholic High School. Legislators who attended the North Catholic affair were: Joseph Miller and Paul Petro as Senators; Fred Cristofori, Dimitri Petro, George Simpson and Lucille Todora, Representatives; and Richard Elco and Emilio Roncace, alternates.

Thus, Debate Club members appreciate and boast of the truly integral part their organization plays in our educational system. For development of both intellectual and character traits is the perennial Debate Club achievement.



# EDITORIAL STAFF PUBLISHED NEWSPAPER, YEARBOOK



Row 1 (left to right) Rita Orient, Ann Pelliccione (at typewriter), Irene Wehousie (standing), Dimitri Petro, Helen Couser . . . completing a committee assignment; Editor Charlyne Faller, Adviser Miss Dorothy K. Goggin; George Simpson, Fred Cristofori (seated), James Beckley, Anthony Perfetto (at typewriter) . . . are the sports writers of both publications.

Row 2—Mary Agnes Horn 205 and Rita Jaso 100 . . . super-subscription salesmen in their homerooms; Jean Huber, Jane Smith, Carol Hickman, Eulaine Hozdulick, William Pete . . . looking over Senior write-

ups; Dorothy Kovalak (seated), Lucille Todora . . . enlist the help of Rita Jaso, Patty Fresa, Joseph Miller at the bulletin board, as they set deadlines.

Row 3—Louise Busto, Bernice Bukosky, Helen Cline (seated), Sally Charles, Eileen Cerutti . . . checking details; At the file Mary Lou Fresa, Mary J. Rabe, Patty Alcott, Mary Ann Schmitt (seated), David Wood . . . Cub reporters work on "Remember When" article; Patty Alcott bearing good news (and the 5 pounds of candy!) to her homeroom 103, sophomore class winner in the subscription contest.



## VARSITY DRAGON, YEARBOOK EDITED AND FINANCED UNDER THESE LEADERS

**CHARLYNE FALLER**  
Yearbook Editor



**PAUL PETRO**  
Varsity Dragon Editor



**MARGARET SCHMIDT**  
Yearbook Subscription Manager



**VERONICA SALAT**  
Yearbook Business Manager



**GERALDINE BALDINI**  
Varsity Dragon Business Manager

To keep the students informed of school news was the main objective of the newspaper, the Varsity Dragon. Through its six issues Editor Paul Petro and his editorial staff of thirty members were able to attain their goal. The reporters covered the sports, social events, and wrote articles of interest pertaining to school life. The students could usually forecast an issue by the sight of the Editor visiting the various homerooms to assign stories to his reporters.

The business staff, with Gerrie Baldini as manager, collected subscriptions for the paper from the students, and sponsored tea dances to aid the cost of printing the paper.

The memoirs of this school year were compiled by Editor Charlyne Faller and her seventeen staff members on The Dragon.

All worked earnestly to have their individual articles completed before the deadline.

A magazine contest was sponsored by the business staff to aid finances. Through the co-operation of all, the contest surpassed its goal. Room 104 turned in the highest amount of magazine subscriptions according to percentage. Veronica Salat and Margaret Schmidt, as managers of this financial department, collected Yearbook subscriptions and sold articles of interest to teen-agers.

With the combined efforts of these club members, the help of Miss Kelly and Miss Goggin, financial and editorial advisers respectively, publications served as an informative source to the public and a practical experience in salesmanship and writing for its members.



# FINANCING PUBLICATIONS INVOLVED VARIETY OF PROJECTS



Row 1 (left to right) Alvera Litsky, Joan Kascik (seated), Charlotte Axton, Florence Mitro . . . checking in name card orders; Shirley Urich, Peggy Wiles, Louise Novak, Geraldine Seader . . . filing Varsity Dragon order blanks by homeroom; Patty Alcott, Gail Yates, Donna Kelly (seated), Rita Jaso . . . sort out Xmas pencils ordered by individual students.

Row 2—Geraldine Morgan, Sallie Gibson (seated), Esther Woodburn, Joan McConville (seated), Mary Agnes Horn . . . prepare subscription receipts and cards for students; Yearbook Business Manager Veronica Salat, Subscription Manager Peggy Schmidt . . . calculating

percentages for the subscription contest; Rose Marie Fronzaglio, Joan Sharp, Josephine Sawa, Mary Ann Schmitt . . . accounting for their quota of sales of rainbow pencils.

Row 3—Varsity Dragon Business Manager Gerrie Baldini checks an order sheet with Adviser Miss Margaret M. Kelly (seated); Jean Bartoli, Aggie Malia (standing), Frances Kalinoski, Elizabeth Nestor (standing), Barbara Poklemba . . . are working on the Magazine Contest material; Connie Bercik, Evelyn Gonzales (standing), Patty Cheney, Dolores Hines (standing), Virginia Lee Peters . . . taking a sneak prevue of the Varsity Dragon before beginning circulation task.



# NEWLY ORGANIZED CHORUS ENTERTAINS TOWN AND SCHOOL



Row 1 (left to right) Louise Busto, Carol Duncan, Carmen Battilana, Geraldine Vukich, Roseann Steefe, Loris Kopac, Pauline Yuschak, Michael Herk—Principal, Edwin Ore—Director, Libertina Fernandez, Gloria Tokay, Marlene Amatangelo, Donna Kelley, Rita Jaso, Charlotte Axton, Janet Saliccioli, Eileen Corutti.  
 Row 2—Robert Gress, Mary A. Schmitt, Rita Sadler, Betty Duncan, Jean Bartoli, Mary Amoroso, Eleanor Schwalb, Agnes Malia, Maureen Clark, Thelma Ackerman, Enery Lopez, Gloria Kostella, Alvera Litsky, Marian Susky, Edith Franklin, Irene Wehousie, John Yocolano.  
 Row 3—Larry Siren, Jack Stewart, Donald Anderson, Manuel Ibanez, Anthony Perfetto, Ignatius Hokaj, Adrian Kutska, James Murray, Arthur Hayes, Paul G. Bercik, Ernest Kanes, Emil Sabolcik, Douglas Lanier, Charles Ross, Anthony Pokorny, William Gaydos, Adrian Rands, Joseph Kostolansky, Gerald Buchko, Sylvester Duncan.

Under the capable supervision of Mr. Edwin Ore the Student Chorus is completing a very successful year. The club, consisting of sixty members, holds meetings every Monday in room 109. Working with the group, Mr. Ore has tried to stimulate an interest in good singing and add to the development of a complete music program at Donora Senior High School.

Jean Bartoli, Ignatius Hokaj, and Arthur Hayes, three members of the group, participated in the District Chorus with Arthur Hayes and Jean Bartoli going into the State Chorus. In the State Forensic Contest there were solos, duets, trios, quartets, and group singing presented by the group.

Several members provided entertainment for such clubs as the P.T.A., Lions, Rotary and Unidon.

Louise Busto, pianist for the group, and Jean Bartoli were heard over the local valley radio station.

During Music Week, Mr. Ore conducted the group in a concert. The group had a few social activities during the year.

The club is an extra-curricular activity which works to provide a musical experience for its members that will help broaden their education and make them more worth-while members of society in adult life. The club officers for 1950-51 are:

President .....	JOSEPH A. RANDS
Vice President .....	BETTY DUNCAN
Secretary .....	GERALD BUCHKO
Treasurer .....	PAUL G. BERCIK
Librarian .....	IRENE WEHOUSIE
Publicity Director .....	DON ANDERSON



# DONORA HIGH SCHOOL BAND PERFORMS ON MANY CIVIC OCCASIONS



Row 1 (left to right) Guy Corno—Band Director, Edwin Ore—Music Supervisor, Rosemary Protz, Robert Weightman, Fred Cristofori, Sylvester Duncan, Gerald Buchko, Richard Lewis, Reginald Gillingham, Joan Sharp, Cyril Assad, Nancy Revak, Janet Witek, Marion Susky, Louise Widzeszewski, Pauline Yuschak, Andrew S. Sukef—Superintendent, Michael J. Herk—Principal.

Row 2—Barry Patterson, Gordon Fetkenhour, Peggy Robson, Daniel Unger, Carl Fetkenhour, Roger Moreski, Ewing Bates, Richard Ziegler, Judy Genovese, Loretta Bottocelli, Marlene Ramey, Myrtle Bush, Loris Kopac, Maude Fulton, Frank Weir, William Micenko, Joseph Schmitt, Samuel Fresca, Francis Muia.

Row 3—Jean Huber—Head majorette, Betty Beaver, Elaine Rudinec, Charles Muia, Anthony D'Amore, Bonnie Amatangelo, Dorval Carter, Russel White, James Simpson, David Koskoski, Lucy Russell, Robert Gress, Edith Kaspick, Mary L. Fresca, Margaret Rudinec, Gladys White, Frances Marran, Betty Duncan, Anthony Perfetto—Drum major.

Row 4—Margaret Forsyth—Majorette, Betty Angelo—Majorette, Mary Amoroso—Majorette, Evelyn J. Bartoli—Majorette, Larry Siren, Donald Anderson, James Beckley, William Carson, Bernard Pavelko, Charles Stewart, Herman White, Douglas Lanier, Anna Yavorsky, Arthur Hayes, Jay Siren, Charles Lesovic, Anna Maier—Majorette, Ann Ritchie—Majorette, Sallie Gibson—Majorette, Minerva Assad—Majorette.

## Band Officers

President .....	DONALD ANDERSON
Vice President .....	GERALD BUCHKO
Financial Secretary .....	JEAN HUBER
Recording Secretary .....	ROBERT WEIGHTMAN
Treasurer .....	JAMES BECKLEY
Publicity .....	LARRY SIREN



## DRUM MAJOR AND MAJORETTES LEAD PRECISION MARCHING, INTRICATE FORMATIONS



Left to right—Betty Angelo, Mary Amoroso, Sallie Gibson, Margaret Ritchie, Rita Jean Huber (kneeling), Anthony Perfetto, Anna Maier, Evelyn J. Bartoli, Minerva Assad, Margaret Forsyth.

The Senior High School Band under the capable direction of Mr. Guy Corno has had an excellent season. Besides their entertaining half-time performances under our new stadium lights, parades at Leechburg, Monessen, Monongahela, and Donora, and many band concerts have been included on their roster for the 1950-1951 term.

The band has grown during this last year to a membership of sixty-six, a corps of eight majorettes, ably led by Jean Huber and our drum major, Tony Perfetto. One of the highlights of the gridiron season was the new white, whipcord uniforms in which the majorettes and drum major were attired.

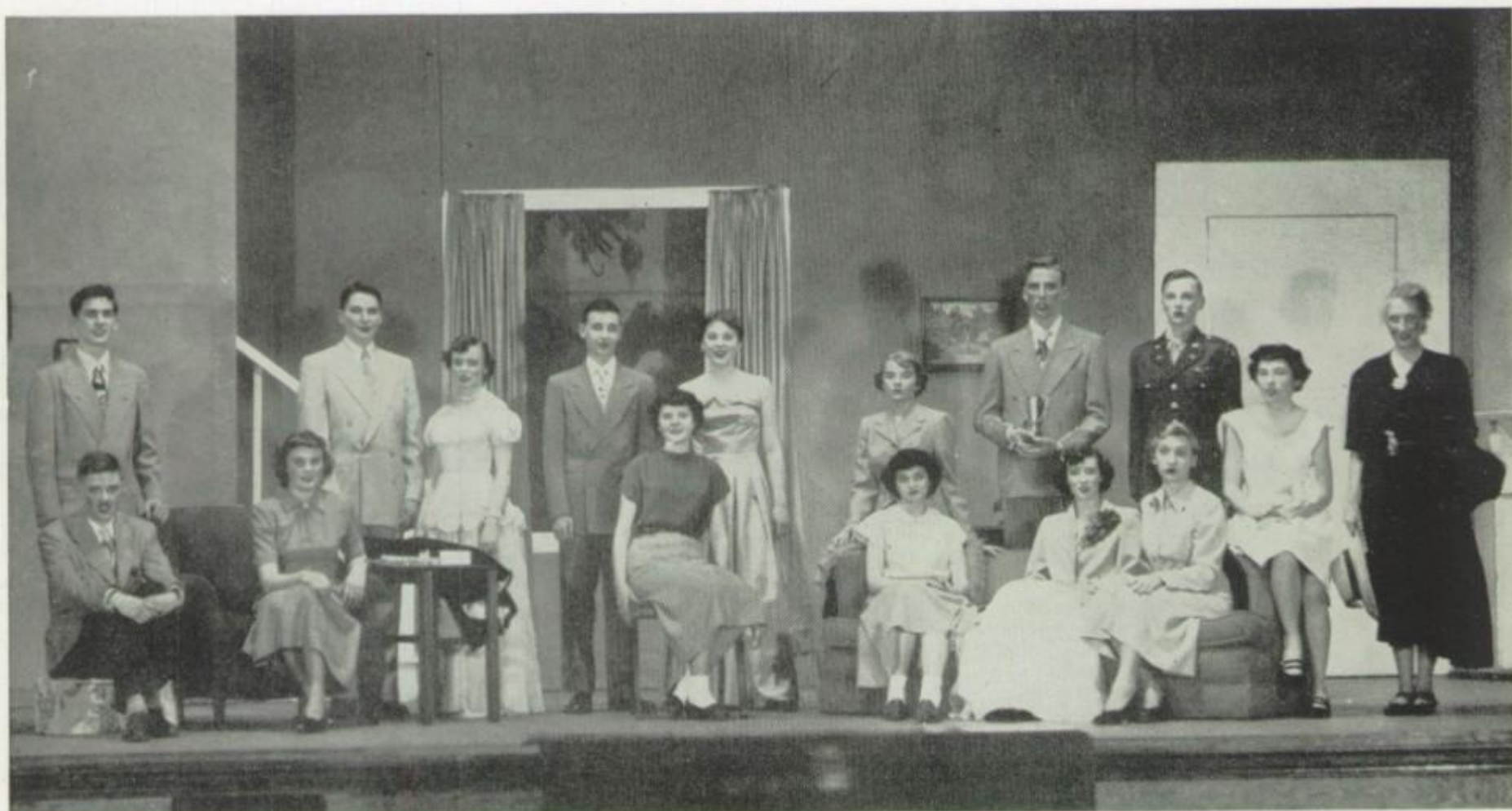
Mr. Corno worked very hard with his band this year, preparing them for their annual Spring Concert which was held during Music

Week in May. Individual work was also stressed, and as a result Bill Gaydos, Bernard Pavelko, and Loris Marie Kopac represented Donora High at the District Forensic Contest at Millvale High School. Individualism counts high in Band for last year John Hozdulick, Bill Guyker, and Carl Fetkenhour comprised a trumpet trio, accompanied by Louise Busto which captured first place in County, District and State contests. Anthony Perfetto also won laurels in all three contests with his champion baton twirling.

In the few years that Mr. Corno has been with us he has made the band outstanding in Donora and surrounding districts. We salute him for his effort and interest in our school and community.



## CLASS OF '51 GOES "STRICTLY FORMAL" IN JUNIOR PLAY PRESENTATION



Row 1 (seated, left to right) William Pete, Jean Huber, Dolores Wazny, Mary Amoroso, Barbara Benvie, Sallie Gibson, Ruth Bires.

Row 2 (standing, left to right) Paul Petro, Donald Anderson, Charlyne Faller, Gerald Buchko, Helene Riesenbeck, Carol Hickman, Joseph Miller, Larry Siren, Margaret Schmidt.



### Stage Crew

Row 1 (seated, left to right) Stephen Tomasiak, Shirley Dudgeon—Prompter; Evelyn Bartoli—Student Director; Rita Jaso—Make-up; John Smith; Elaine Reynolds—Student Director; Faith Tharp—Prompter; Mary Amoroso—Make-up.

Row 2— (standing, left to right) Robert Gress, Andrew Stunda, Dale Sklenar, Benson Kelly, Anthony DiMonde, Hiram Ostrander, Gerald Buchko.



## AS SENIORS, THE CLASS OF '51 PRESENTED "FOREVER ALBERT"



Row 1 (left to right) Ruth Bires, Shirley Dudgeon, Barbara Benvie, Helene Riesenbeck, Geraldine Skraitz.  
Row 2—Paul Petro, Gerald Buchko, Joseph Miller, Donald Anderson, Charlyne Faller, Patrick Maier, William Pete, Margaret Schmidt, Larry Siren.



### Stage Crew

Row 1 (left to right) Edward Kustron, Cyril Assad.  
Row 2—Gerald Buchko, William Gaydos, Carol Hickman—Student Director; Jean Huber—Prompter; Joseph Genovese, Robert Gress.  
Row 3—James Coulson, Manuel Ibanez, Andrew Stunda, John Smith.



# NEW SPONSOR HELPED STUDENT COUNCIL



Row 1 (left to right) Student Council Officers: Connie Bercik, Secretary-Treasurer; Jack Bowen, President; Patty Cheney, Vice-President; Mrs. Curry, Adviser; Counting votes for Junior Government candidates; Sally Puia and Carol Hickman (seated), Helene Riesenbeck, Jack Bowen, Gerrie Baldini . . . senior representatives on Council.

Row 2—Mary Jane Rabe and Betty Pasterick (seated), John Bandalo, Patty Ready, Connie Bercik . . . sophomore representatives

on Council; Myron Friedlander, Patty Cheney, Patty Stetser register with Bill Elkins, Dorothy Kovalak at Junior Government election; Todora, Cheney (standing), Battilana, Zenobi (standing), Simpson, J. Smith . . . junior representatives on Council.

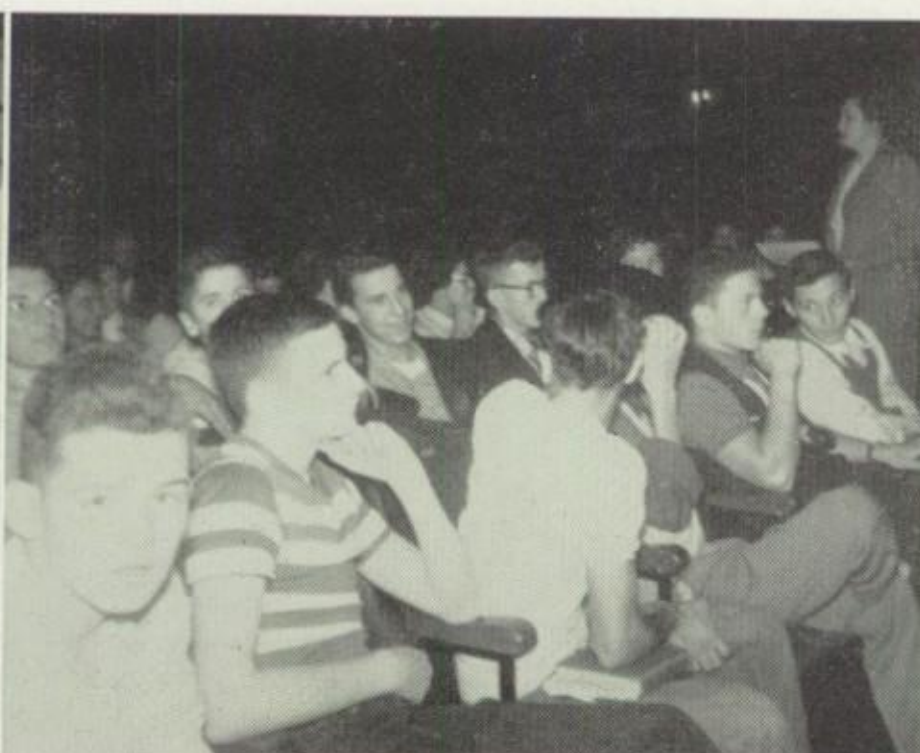
Row 3—Student Council members held meeting to discuss athletic celebration; Executive Board of Student Council: Petro, Kovalak, Kostolansky, Rands, Schmitt, Elkins, Bercik, Thomas; Helene Riesenbeck, Gerrie Baldini, William Elkins . . . committee for Variety Show.



# MUCH ACCOMPLISHED FOR SCHOOL AND TOWN



Ray Moravec, Dorval Carter, Hugo Valdiserri, Lucille Todora . . . waiting to vote, Gerrie Baldini registrar.



Mrs. Curry explaining rules to candidates for Junior Government offices.



Helping Student Council in a clean-up project.

Since the birth of the Donora Senior High Student Council in 1943, the organization has grown to be one of the most active and popular clubs in the school. Under the very excellent guidance of Mrs. Mary Curry the Council sponsored and participated in many noteworthy activities.

The purpose of the Student Council is: to promote in every possible way the best interests of the Donora Senior High School, to arouse and develop proper school spirit, to further student participation in school activities, to provide opportunity for student co-operation and participation in the management of school affairs, to prepare for citizenship.

The Student Council consists of a House of Representatives and a Board of Executives.

To become a member of the club one must

be elected by the homeroom as a homeroom representative which makes one a member of the House of Representatives. By being an officer of the Junior or Senior Class a representative automatically becomes a member of the Board of Executives.

Some of the functions and activities of the group for the year have been the active participation of the members in the Junior Government Day activities; providing transportation to athletic events; staging athletic celebrations; securing athletic holidays; participating in Mon-Valley Student Council Activities; producing and directing a Christmas Variety Show; helping the C.I.O. pack Christmas treats; cleaning trophy cases; and sponsoring social events.

Officers supervising the work of the Council were:

President . . . . .	JACK BOWEN
Vice-President . . . . .	PATRICIA CHENEY
Secretary-Treasurer . . . . .	CONNIE BERCIK



# DONORA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL **IS** THE TOWN ON JUNIOR GOVERNMENT DAY



Row 1 (left to right) Jack Rhodes, Fire Chief; Paul Petro, William Schmitt, presiding, Faith Tharp, Sally Charles, Robert Epperson . . . at School Board session; Police Chief Ozzie Rands.

Row 2—John Thomas, Health Officer; Mrs. Curry, Adviser, makes a final check before campaign assembly; Council meets with President

George Simpson in charge.

Row 3—Campaigning as Mr. Ruben, Civic Chairman of the Day, and Principal Herk look on with President Jack Bowen in charge; Donora's Burgess August Chambon '18 swears in student Burgess George Daube; Tax Collector James Beckley checks the books.



# TRI-HI-Y PROMOTES BETTER CITIZENSHIP



Row 1 (left to right) Officers: Dolores Wazny, Secretary; Helene Riesenbeck, President; Barbara Benvie, Vice-President; Patty Fresa, Treasurer; Carmen Battilana, Jane Smith, Helen Cline (seated), Helene Riesenbeck, Eugenia Jobes (seated), Barbara Benvie . . . check over homeroom contributions to Jr. Red Cross, the drive sponsored by the Tri-Hi-Y; Alvera Litsky (seated), Janet Pykosh, Shirley Suman, Geraldine Seader, Ann

Ritchie . . . working their shift as checkers at the basketball games.

Row 2—Eileen Cerutti, Bernice Bukosky, Virginia L. Peters, Mary Lou Fresa, Gerry Stima . . . working on favors for a social affair; Miss Eva Weddle, Club Adviser; New members included: (seated) Suzanne Furnier, Gloria Tokay, Angeline Drudi, Joan Sharp; (standing) Donna Kelley, Shirley Suman, Ann Ritchie, Gerry Stima, Mary Lou Fresa.

The Tri-Hi-Y's contact with the home, school, and community is through service. Under the direction of President Helene Riesenbeck and sponsor Miss Weddle, the club initiated a group of twenty-two Donora Senior High School girls with a solemn candle-light service. As a service organization

one of the club's most outstanding yearly functions was the sale of Easter lilies for the benefit of the crippled children.

The club's motto which members strove to uphold is "To create, maintain and extend throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character."



# A PICTURE STORY OF FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS, PREPARING TO SERVE THE FANS



Row 1 (left to right) Jack Bowen (seated), Patrick Maier, Carol Hickman, Frances Kalinoski . . . checking out supplies from William Schmitt; Pat Bartley, Irene Penak, Mary Ann Zunich, Monica Poklemba, Zylpha Mae Little . . . sort out candy; Fannie Mae White, Gerry Skraitz, Peggy Schmidt, Sophie Lomax . . . find time for fun between sales.

Row 2—Adviser Miss Vazur selling concession tickets to Aggie Malie and Bernice Merritt; Stelma Rhines, Margie Saxon, Dolores Sherrer, Charlyne Robson, Mary Vayansky, Miss Hageman . . . preparing the

buns; Josephine Sawa, Norma Micenko count out the hot dogs as Peg McGhee, Adviser Mr. Grilli, Paul Hibar, David Long and Bill Pete do the cooking.

Row 3—Peggy Wiles supplies the straws while Elizabeth Nestor waits her turn as Ben Blair gets his coke; Miss Hageman, faculty chairman of concessions, gives a few last suggestions as she meets with her student workers; "Buns, hot dogs and candy ought to make them thirsty" say John Mellon, Adviser Mr. McDunn and Pete Worhatch.



# Junior Chamber of Commerce Advises Honor Commercial on the Business World



Row 1 (left to right) J.C.C. Officers: Ann Gonzalez, Corresponding Secretary; Sallie Gibson, Recording Secretary; Patty Cheney, Vice-President; Mary Ann Zunich, President; Rita Sadler, Assistant Treasurer; Norma Micenko, Treasurer; Shirley Evans (seated), Rita Batilana, Elaine Alexander, Angeline Drudi . . . welcome a sale to Dorothy Crafton in their candy-selling project at basketball; Sherrie Wall, Margaret Rudinec, Margaret Schmidt, Shirley Urich . . . looking over

plans for a professional meeting.

Row 2—Gerrie Baldini, Eugenia Jobes, Veronica Salat, Joann Alonso . . . entrants in a club typing contest; Club's Advisers: Miss Hageman, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Plavko, Chairman, Miss Vazur, Miss Kelly; Rita Jaso, Mary Ann Hudak, Marlene Mesher, Helen Oros, Stelma Rhines . . . learning to use machines as a part of club training.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce prepares honor commercials for the business world. Each commercial student must have a "B" average to gain membership into the organization.

Under the direction of Mr. Plavko, chairman of the faculty committee which included Miss Kelly, Miss Hageman, Miss

Vazur, and Mrs. Myers, the group has benefited through discussions at their professional meetings. The members of the J.C.C. paid dues, and held a tea dance to finance the emblems which are awarded at the end of the member's junior year, and the gold pins, which merit the two years service and are given at the end of the member's senior year.



# LANGUAGE CLUB IS HONOR ORGANIZATION FOR FRENCH, SPANISH, LATIN STUDENTS



Row 1 (left to right) Officers: Paul G. Bercik, Treasurer; Joseph Kostolansky, President; Joseph A. Rands, Vice-President; Charlyne Faller, Secretary; Jack Guyker in initiation garb; New members rush to sign up for the banquet.

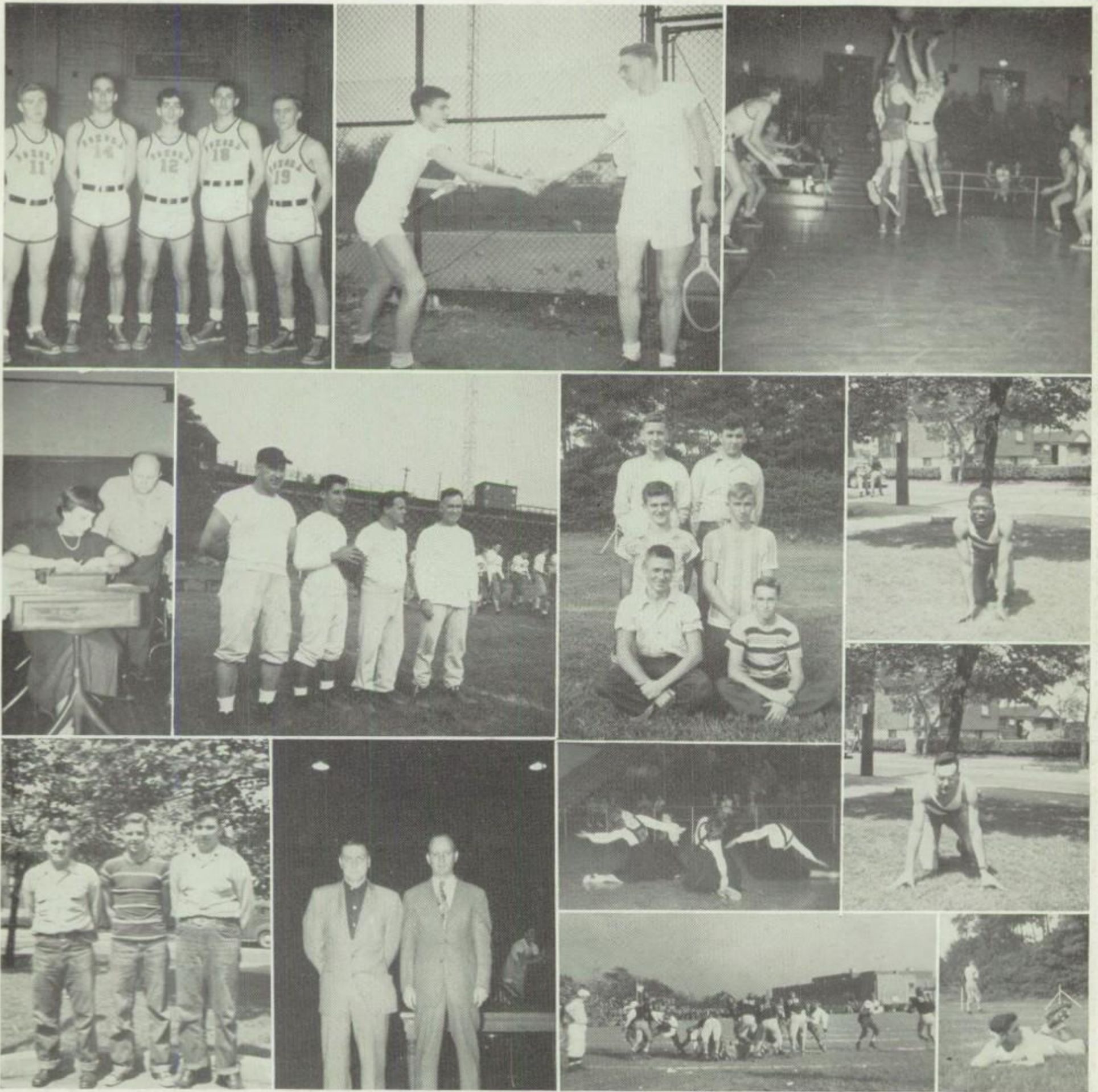
Row 2—All ready for the annual banquet; Miss Mary Edna Gillespie, Miss Ethel Ewing . . . Club Advisers; Spanish Fiesta Queen Louise

Gonzales and King William Law ruled over the Club Dance.

Row 3—"Those happy initiation hours" recalled by Marlene Amantangelo, Margie Malaski, Marlene Petrus, Colleen Johnston, (back row) Connie Bercik, Joan Kascik, Janet Ritchie, William Schmitt, George Simpson take Shirley Dudgeon for a ride at the club party; Time out for refueling at a very lively club party held in the gym.



# Athletics



Row 1 (left to right) Cox, Bercik, Daube, Cicconi, Watroba a varsity team on the hardwood; Runner-up Jack Stewart congratulating tennis champion, James Gamble following their play-off; Jump ball!

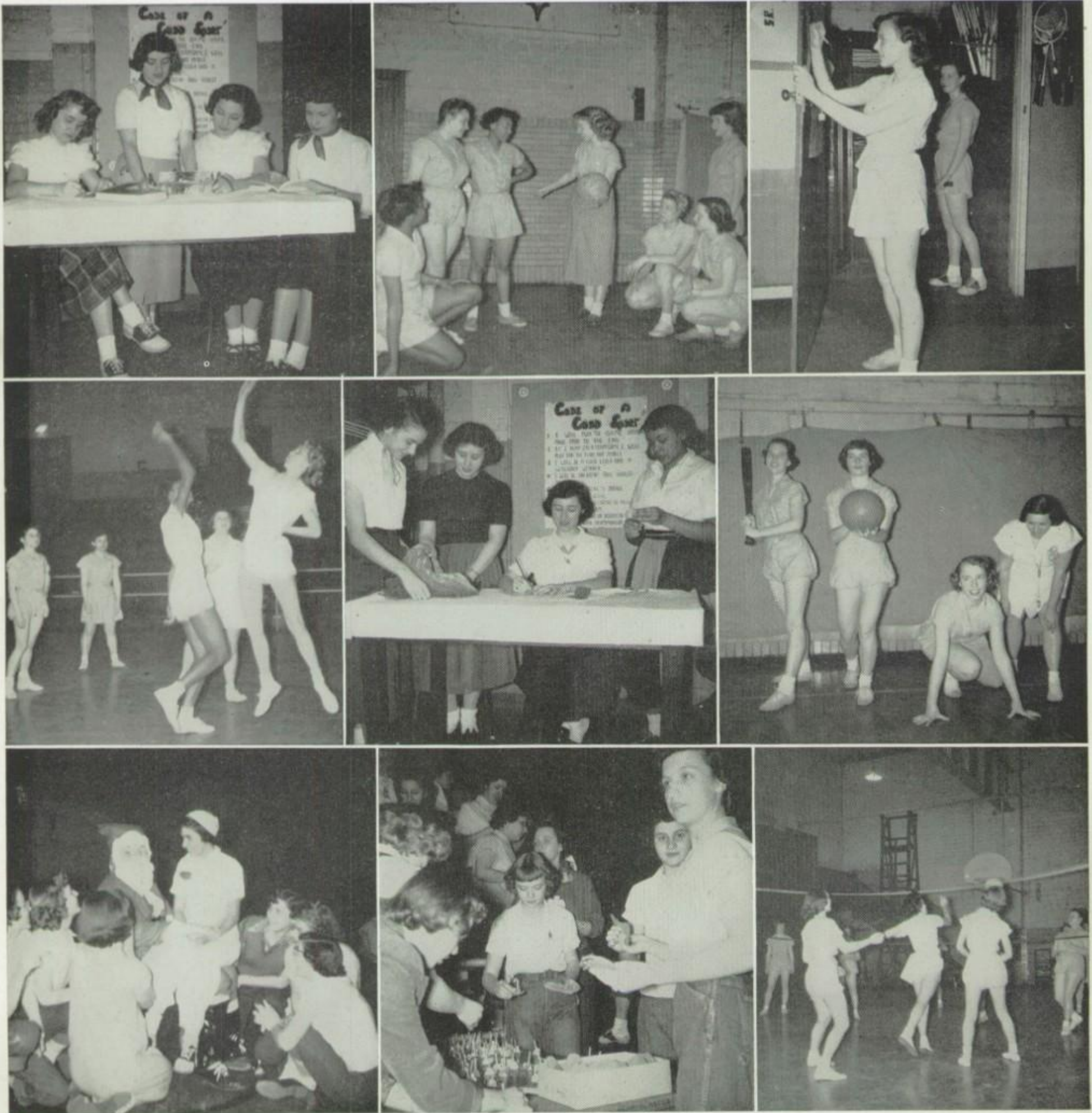
Row 2—Miss Godzik, Mr. Balas balancing ticket accounts; Kovalcik, Cecconi, Russell, Clark looking over gridiron prospects; Malinchak,

Kozar, Stewart, Hornak, Kostolansky, Malie were the reliable football managers; Irving Peatross, Jerry Bercik two track stars.

Row 3—Jericho, Kubik, Malie were track managers for 1950 season; Head Basketball Coach Wunderlich, his assistant Dan Connair; Cheerleaders in action; On the gridiron; Coach Cecconi takes time out.



# YEAR 'ROUND ACTIVITIES POLICY OF GIRLS' ATHLETIC LEAGUE



Row 1 (left to right) G.A.L. Officers: Frances Kalinoski, Secretary-Treasurer; Peggy Forsyth, President; Marie Sampler, Vice-President; Mary Ann Kotecki, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Patty Cheney, head of volleyball, explains its use; Charlyne Faller, individual sports head, checking equipment with Mary Janet Stacey.

Row 2—Intramural play off; Colleen Johnston, Betty Angelo, Eileen

Cerutti, Fannie Mae White . . . making party preparations; Helen Cline, Faith Tharp, Sally Charles, Coach Campbell . . . head committees on baseball, basketball, track.

Row 3—Santa listens to Ann Gonzalez' Xmas list; Distributing favors at the Xmas party; Volleyball at a Play Night.



# INTRAMURALS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS EMPHASIZE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

## ***Girls' Athletic League***

One of the largest and most active organizations in Donora Senior High School is the Girls' Athletic League. It is sponsored by Mrs. Campbell, the physical education teacher. Membership in this organization is opened to all athletic-minded girls who wish to participate in the various activities sponsored by the G.A.L.

The goal of the Girls' Athletic League is to govern and promote recreation and girls' athletics; to create enthusiasm in the field of physical education; to arouse interest in girls' athletic events and to be an example of good sportsmanship and leadership.

Their list of activities for the year was opened with the Gridiron Griddle which was followed by the Sadie Hawkins' Dance and Tea Dances. For the members there was the Christmas Party, Play Nights, and the Farewell Party for the seniors. Planning these socials and friendly get-togethers was the responsibility of the Social Chairman, Eileen Cerutti.

The individual sports such as ping pong, badminton, shuffle board, and tennis were handled by Charlyne Faller, Chairman. There are also chairmen of basketball, volleyball, softball, and track. The executive committee, which consists of the officers and chairmen, is responsible for planning those various activities of the G.A.L.

At the end of the year, awards are presented to the girls through a point system based on their active participation in the organization. As all the girls wait for the awards at the end of the year, they also regret seeing the close of a year which gave them opportunities to develop individual skills in their favorite sport.

## ***Boys' Intramural League***

The purpose of the Boys' Intramural League is to teach the fundamentals of sports and at the same time teach those boys who do not participate in varsity competition to be good sports. This year's program, which is sponsored by Mr. Paul Ross, the boys' physical education teacher, included more activities than any of the previous years.

The activities that have been completed are football and tennis. Tennis was divided into two sections, singles and doubles. Basketball and volleyball have just begun and the class champions have not been decided. Other activities that will take place later on in the year will be softball, track, field, ping pong, and possibly wrestling.

The tennis singles were the first to be played with Jim Gamble of Room 107 coming out as school champion. First he met Paul Bucich of Room 207, who was the sophomore champion. Jim won by a score of six to two and went on to beat Jack Stewart, the junior champion from 205, by the same score.

Dale Stewart and Pat Maier won the senior championship and went on from there to win the school championship. They beat 209, the sophomore champions, by a score of six to three.

In football, the seniors won the school championship as they did in tennis, but with more difficulty. 205, the junior champion, met and defeated 206, representatives of the sophomore class, by a score of twelve to zero. Then 205 met the senior champs, 107, and at the end of regulation time the score was tied zero-zero. A ten minute overtime was played with 107 winning out six to zero.

Each homeroom elects a captain, who handles the business affairs of the group. The Boys' Intramural League sponsors dances and movies, to raise money for emblems, which are given to the school champion and the runner-up in each sport.



# BOYS' INTRAMURAL LEAGUE INSPIRES HOMEROOM SPIRIT



Row 1 (left to right) Dale Stewart, Pat Maier . . . School champions in tennis doubles; Executive Board B.I.L.: (Seated) Eugene Perry, Joe Fernandez, Mike Bonaventura; (Standing) Francis Ready, Bill Elkins, Bob Rosborough, Pat Maier; Joe Amatangelo, George Palmer . . . in ping-pong tournament.

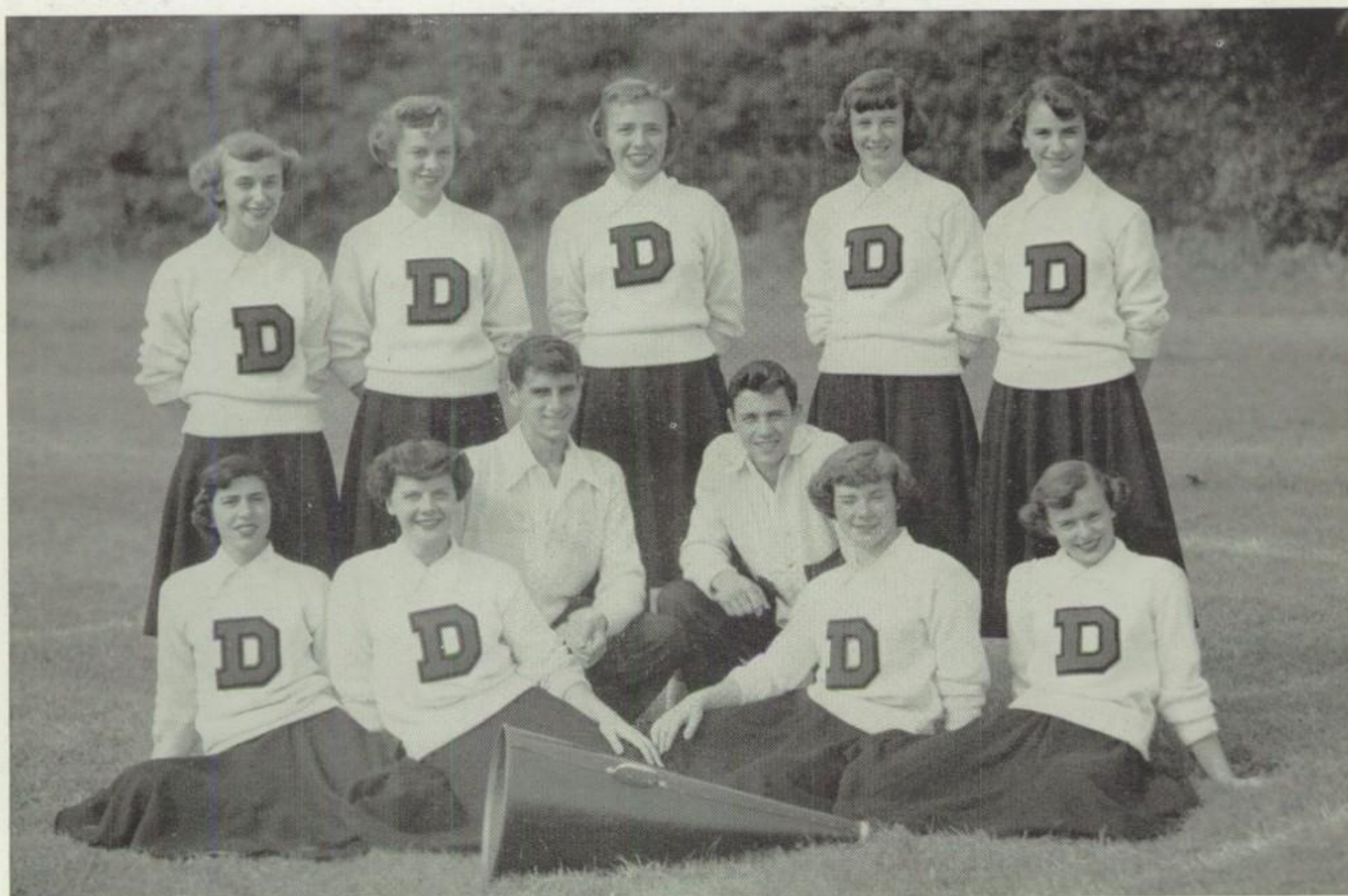
Row 2—Junior B.I.L. representatives report for meeting—Schmitt,

Elkins, Bonaventura, Lapinsky, Perry, Thomas; Anne Pelliccione and William Schmitt work concessions room at annual Halloween Dance; Robert Bowen, Don Iczkowski, Bob Rosborough are sophomore representatives.

Row 3—Homeroom intramural basketball playoff; Adviser Paul E. Ross conferring with senior homeroom captains Fernandez, Ready, and Maier; Tournament volleyball.



# CAPABLE CHEERLEADERS LED STUDENTS



Row 1 (left to right) Ann Gonzalez, Dolores Wazny, James Mona, Henry Bachetti Faith Tharp, Charlyne Faller.  
Row 2—Betty Pasterick, Bernice Bukosky, Sally Charles, Joann Corstorphine, Colleen Johnston.

H-E-L-L-O, H-E-L-L-O  
Hello, dear Reader,  
The cheerleaders say, "Hello."



Seniors: Ann Gonzalez, Dolores Wazny, Faith Tharp, Charlyne Faller.



Adviser Evelyn T. Campbell



The basketball cheerleader squad.



## ALUMNI JOIN SENIOR HIGH COACHING STAFF



Left to right—George Kovalcik, Louis Cecconi, James K. Russell—Head Coach; John Clark.

With two new coaches, George Kovalcik '34 and Louis "Bimbo" Cecconi '46, Head Coach Russell and Line Coach Clark opened the season against Johnstown Catholic. Unleashing a potent ground attack, DHS's first score came in the second period, when Rands went 41 yards after a poor Johnstown 19 yard punt, and he also hit Daube with a pass for the extra point. Forcing Pavlick to punt again, the Dragons took the ball on their own 34 yard line, and commenced a drive topped off by Thomas's 54 yard touchdown run.

Valdiserri scored another Dragon TD crashing through right tackle for 25 yards, after a 63 yard drive. A Mitchell-recovered fumble set up Donora's next touchdown with

Valdiserri throwing Daube a short pass in the end zone. Certo scored for Johnstown, going through the Dragon line for 14 yards. An interception by Rands, and a 9 yard sprint by Thomas, gave Donora its final tally, and first win of the 1950 season.

### **Cougars Rout Dragons, 34—13**

"Blues, Please Go Away From Me" was the song chanted by the Dragons as they ruefully recalled a nightmare.

In the initial period of the game, it seemed that the Dragons were in peak form, but the Cougars quickly dispelled these notions. CHS's first tally came when Cherocci crashed through right tackle for 2 yards. The Dragons, helpless, saw the Cougars rack up



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another touchdown when Nandor passed to Fazzoni in the end zone. After forcing the Orange and Black gridders to punt again, Charleroi marched 42 yards, Cherocci scoring to climax the drive. Rands, providing the thrill of the evening, took the next kickoff and scampered 86 yards to touchdownland. Cherocci, the Cougars ace player, scored again in the second half, exactly after four plays, plowing through the Dragon line for another TD. The Dragons, gathering their resources together, found a hole in Charleroi's line, and after Rands and Rhodes ate up yardage, Valdiserri hit Bercik with a 33 yard pass, and he plowed ahead to pay dirt. Charleroi's last touchdown came after Hall put the finishing touches to a Cougar drive by crashing through left guard for 2 yards, ending the scoring at 34—13.

### **Donora Trounces South Hills, 19—6**

Thomas started Donora's first touchdown drive, taking the ball on the Dragon's 46 yard line, and gaining 9 yards. Rands added 21 yards altogether, 14 by ground and 7 by an aerial from Valdiserri, bringing the ball to the enemy 3. Rands climaxed the drive by plunging over for the TD. In the second half Loines recovered a fumble on South's 34 and four plays later Valdiserri ran over for a second tally. The Dragons became dubious of victory as South scored a touchdown with Forse passing to Wade. The Dragons took the following kickoff, and after the various backs ate and chalked up yardage, Rands brought the ball to the enemy 6. The last TD was scored as Valdiserri tossed a lateral to Watroba, who crossed over the stripes to pay dirt.

### **DHS Upsets Latrobe, 13—0**

In their seemingly annual upset, the Dragons convinced Latrobe that they were the stumbling block to their championship dreams. Taking the ball on the 32, Thomas gained 2 yards, and after Bercik took Valdiserri's pass to Latrobe's 10, he plunged the remaining yardage for the TD. Rands kicked the point good. After halting two Latrobe

threats, the Dragons took the ball on their 25 yard line. Loines gained 1 yard through right guard. Valdiserri threw an aerial to Bercik who took it on the Wildcat's 46 and didn't stop till he stepped over the double white line. The Dragon team continually rose and battered down the highly-rated Latrobe team in the remaining minutes of the game.

### **Dragons Beaten by North Catholic, 26-6**

In the early minutes of the game, the Trojans threatened to score but Turkovich recovered Borgese's fumble to check that threat. Soon after, however, the Trojans were touchdown bound, as Moelter crashed over from the 5 to score. The Dragons retaliated when Valdiserri hit Bercik with a pass on the Trojan 11, and covered the remaining yards with the defense hot upon his back. The first of the Trojan's last three TD's was set up when Davis returned an intercepted pass to Donora's 45. Moelter lost 2 yards, but on the next play Borgese raced 47 yards for a touchdown. In the middle of the fourth quarter, McCabe intercepted Valdiserri's pass and scored. Rose climaxed the scoring for North, when he galloped 73 yards from his own 27.

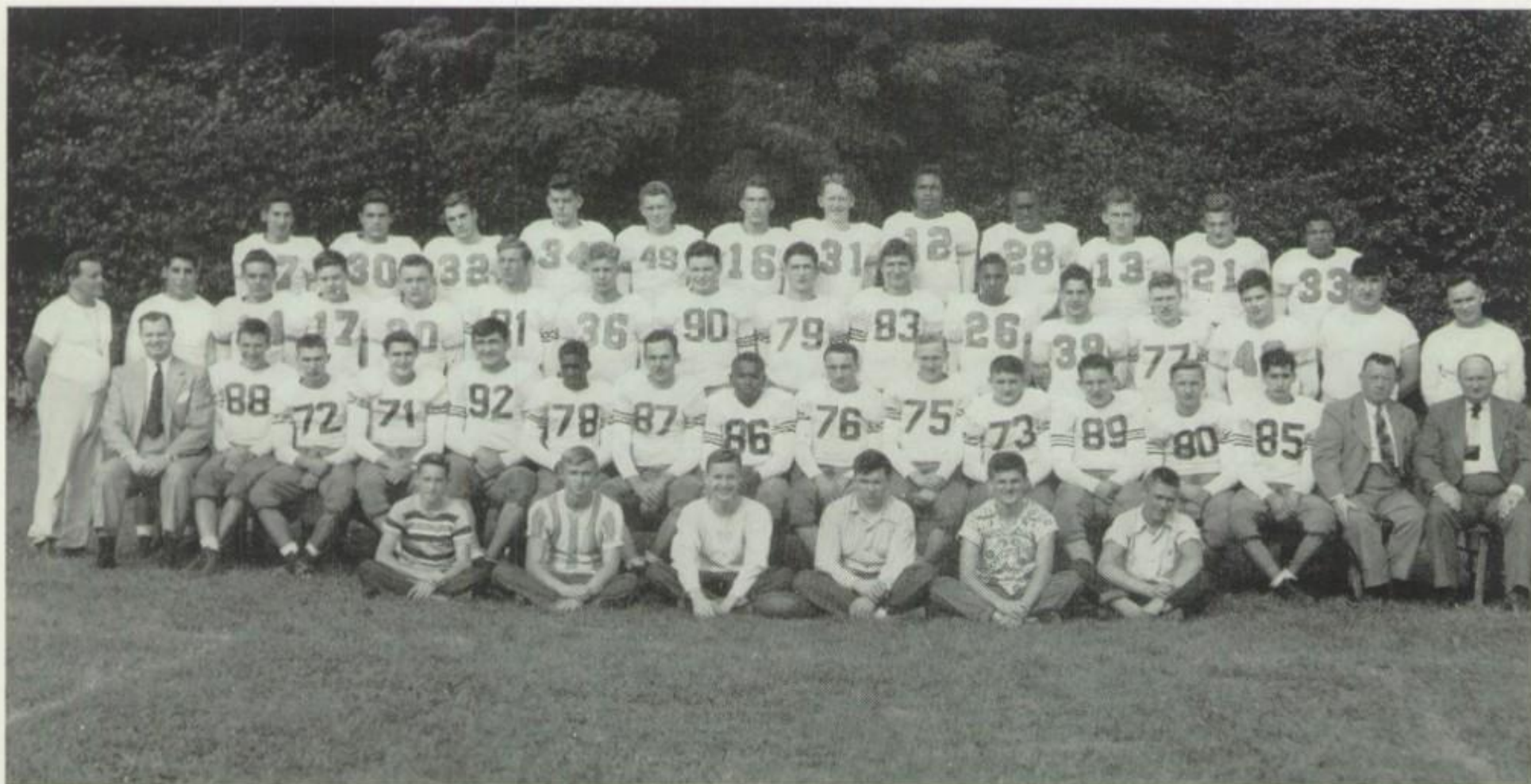
### **Brownies Defeat Donora, 20—14**

After two plays in the first period, Brownsville was forced to punt from their 48. Taking the ball on the Brownies 45, Rands swept around left end for 12 yards. The Dragon backfield ripped off yardage, until Daube grabbed Valdiserri's 14 yard pass for the TD. Rands placement was good. The Brownies rebounded when Bryan passed to Garred, Garred lateraled to Brashear, and the latter sprinted around left end for a touchdown. Later the Dragons found themselves behind 6 points when Gallo broke through left guard to block a punt, pick it up and run into the end zone.

In the second half, the Dragons seemed touchdown-bound, but were halted on the Brownie 4 yard line. Donora soon received a break when Watroba recovered Vasiloff's



# NIGHT FOOTBALL IN DONORA A REALITY FOR 1950 SQUAD



Row 1 (left to right) Charles Kozar—Manager; John Hornak—Manager; Joseph Kostolansky—Manager; Patrick Malie—Manager; John Stewart—Manager; Richard Malinchak—Manager.  
 Row 2—Michael J. Herk—Principal; John Rhodes, Joseph A. Rands, Hugo Valdiserri, Michael Torma, George Loines, Paul G. Bercik, Robert Epperson, Donald Ruscitti, Clyde Horton, William Turkovich, Ralph Prystash, John Watroba, George Daube, P. Garrett Hayes—Faculty Manager; John P. Balas—Assistant Faculty Manager.  
 Row 3—James Russell—Coach; Louis Cecconi—Coach; James Perry, David Wunderlich, William Teslovich, John Ritchie, Frank Bisacky, Joseph Genovese, Anthony Bucich, John Thomas, George Morgan, James Puglisi, William Cox, Ignatius Hokaj, George Kovalcik—Coach; John Clark—Coach.  
 Row 4—Bert Cecconi, Vincent Valeri, George Polonoli, Thomas McDunn, Jon Troy, Donald Iczkowski, Andrew Kozar, Jerry Burns, David Epperson, Adrian Kutska, Arthur Bergamasco, John Law.

fumble on Brownsville's 20. After successful running plays, Watroba scored with Rands adding the extra point. In a decisive play of the game, Groom, trapped in his back-field, broke loose and scampered to DHS's 38 yard line. The Brownies drove to the 2, and Vasiloff crowned the attack by plunging over for the tally.

## Dragons Thoroughly Defeat Wildcats, 19-0

The Dragons gave early indications of dominance in the game as they recovered Beazell's fumble on the Wildcat's 31 yard line. Rands picked up 16 yards on an end run, and Watroba and Thomas crashed through to the 1 yard line where Rands made the touchdown and the extra point. In the second half, after a blocked punt, the Dragons took the ball on their 36 yard line, and Thomas ran for 47 yards to the Wildcat

14. The touchdown was scored in the very early minutes of the final quarter, when Valdiserri hit Bercik with a pass on the 2 and he ran the remaining distance. Bercik also set up the Dragons final tally when he intercepted Detwiler's pass on the Monongahela 31. Valdiserri threw him a pass on the 15 and he eluded a defender and rushed into the end zone unharmed. Donora's "BEAT MONONGAHELA WEEK" proved very fruitful.

## Prexies Drown Dragons, 12—0

"And there goes Watroba swimming around left end." In a torrential downpour of rain, the Dragons were downed or rather drowned in defeat.

The first Prexie score came when a 15 yard penalty set the ball on the Dragon 2. Vito slid over for the score. In a battle of



# JUNIORS, SENIORS COMPRISED FIRST TEAM

punts Washington's last tally came when Martin picked up a fumble and scooted for the touchdown. This was Donora's first bowl game—the "Mud Bowl."

## Monessen Edges Donora, 7—6

The Dragons met a determined Monessen Greyhound team who were shooting for the Big Five title, and attained their goal.

The Dragons started the ball rolling when Rands caught Masci's punt on his own 28 and brought it up to the 48 yard line. With Thomas and Watroba cracking through the Monessen defense and Rands sweeping around left end, the pigskin was brought up to Monessen's 27 yard line. A Valdiserri to Rands pass ate up 18 yards and on the next play Daube caught another Valdiserri pass in the end zone. Rands placement was wide. With about three minutes left in the half, Monessen scored their touchdown, Loprestci's kick was good, making the score at half-time 7—6.

In the third and fourth quarters, it was see-saw football, and although Monessen's

stake as champions was seriously threatened late in the fourth quarter, the Greyhounds withstood the attack to attain the Big Five title.

## Lions Crush Donora, 27—7

Amidst a snow covered field, Altoona held the dominant hand over the Donora Dragons.

After taking the opening kickoff the Lions sparked a 60 yard drive which culminated in their first touchdown with Evans also making the extra point. The second touchdown came when a fumble by Thomas was scooped up by Clauser on the Altoona 35, and he scampered all the way for a touchdown.

In the early minutes of the second quarter, the Dragons scored their first and only tally, when they drove from their own 36 to the Lion's 10 yard line. The 6 point play was an aerial from Valdiserri to Bercik, Thomas getting the extra point. Altoona closed the half with a second touchdown. The second half gave Altoona its remaining score.



Row 1 (left to right) Paul G. Bercik, Michael Torma, Donald Ruscitti, Clyde Horton, William Turkovich, Ralph Prystash, George Daube.

Row 2—Adrian Rands, John Thomas, John Watroba, Hugo Valdiserri.



## SQUAD RETURNS TO SECTION VII COMPETITION



Row 1 (left to right) Paul G. Hayes—Faculty Manager; William Cox, George Mesher, Paul G. Bercik, George Daube, Hugo Valdiserri, John P. Balas—Assistant Faculty Manager.  
 Row 2—Adrian Rands—Manager; Michael J. Herk—Principal; John Thomas, Michael Torma, Frank Cicconi, Charles Wunderlich—Coach; Daniel Connair—Assistant Coach.  
 Row 3—Clyde Horton, John Watroba.

Donora High's cage team encountered many perennial W.P.I.A.L. powerhouses in its preliminary season, a deciding factor in their losses. The Dragons lost to Duquesne, 73-27; Washington, 52-21; Aliquippa, 60-33; Sharon, 61-30; Jeannette, 43-33; Wilkinsburg, 52-43 and Rostraver, 44-42. DHS defeated West Newton, 35-22 and East Washington, 47-42. In non-league games played during the Section VII battle, McKeesport downed DHS 51-39, and they were beaten by Central Catholic, 55-39.

### Cougars Trounce Dragons, 57-35

The Section VII grind was inaugurated by a tremendous loss at the hands of Charleroi. Donora led in the opening minutes 4-1, but Charleroi retaliated by scoring 20 points and also 17 to DHS's 10 in the second period. The third and fourth quarters found the Dragons behind one point in the scoring, 12-11 and 11-10, respectively. They were never able to overcome CHS's first period splurge.



## JUNIOR VARSITY PLAYED PRELIMINARY GAMES



Row 1 (left to right)  
James Perry  
William Elkins  
Anthony Bettinelli  
George Polonoli

Row 2 (left to right)  
Robert Rosborough  
Abe Ruben  
Ronald Patch  
Lee Coughenour  
David Wunderlich

## Varsity Team Played 21 Games



Left to right—Michael Torma, Frank Cicconi, Paul Bercik, John Thomas, George Mesher, George Daube, Clyde Horton, William Cox, John Watroba, Hugo Valdiserri.



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## **Donora Edges Monongahela, 44-40**

Donora High gained their first league win from the Wildcats, but it was tough going all the way. Monongahela held the upper hand in the first half of the game, as they scored 29 points to Donora's 23. The Dragons assumed a different status in the third and fourth stanzas, and outscored the Wildcats 21-11 to eke out a victory.

## **California Shades DHS, 43-42**

The home quintet partook of their first heart-breaking defeat by California on the Trojan's court. CHS was slightly ahead in both of the first two stanzas and they led 17-16 at half-time. Donora went wild in the third fracas and tallied 18 points, but the Trojans took over from where they left off in the first half and out-tallied the Dragons to finish in the lead at the end of the fourth period.

## **Monessen Overpowers Dragons, 50-27**

Monessen came to Donora with a perfect Section VII record and the Dragons proved no match for the Greyhound powerhouse. MHS led 12-8 in the first period. Monessen's key man, Pastorkovich, let loose in the second and third periods, scoring 17 points. The Hounds throttled any Donora comeback since they led them by 24 points in the fourth quarter, too immense a barrier for the Dragons to overcome.

## **Donora Scares Brownies, 47-44**

The vastly improved Donora "5" went into the DHS-BHS game as underdogs, and although they played their role, they did not let Brownsville run away with the encounter. A nip and tuck affair took place in the first two frames as the scoring ended 8-8 and 22-22, respectively. The Brownies, however, came to life in the third and fourth quarters just enough to edge the Dragons by 3 points.

## **Charleroi Humbles Dragons, 64-43**

In meeting the Cougars a second time, the Dragons again suffered a disastrous loss. Charleroi prevailed over the Dragons all but in the third quarter. They scored 32 points

to Donora's 15 in the first half. In the third period Donora outscored them 15-12. The Cougars ended up the tallying by out-gaining the Dragons 21-14 in the fourth stanza.

## **Monongahela Defeats Dragons, 39-34**

Fouls provided most of the scoring in the first frame, which ended in Donora's favor 10-6. The Wildcats took the lead in the second period, scoring 13 points to DHS's 10. Monongahela sank 20 points in the second half, holding the Dragons to 17, to give them a five-point advantage and the game, making Donora a cellar companion.

## **California Nips Donora, 55-53**

Repeating their early season two point win, CHS led 29-25 at half time. The Dragons, usually stronger in the second half of a game, held the advantage over the Trojans 28-26, but their scoring fell short of a win.

## **Dragons Defeated by Hounds, 66-51**

If any of the games this season was "tight" in the sense of the word, this one was it. Even though the Greyhounds were on the winning end, the Dragons undoubtedly played one of their best games of the season. The Dragons kept Monessen on their toes in the first and second frames. At the end of the first stanza the game was tied 13-13, but Monessen went ahead 28-25 at half time. In the third quarter it was neck and neck again as the Dragons scored 2 points less than the Greyhounds. But at this point of the game, Donora fell apart and Monessen took advantage of the slack down, dumping in 22 points. Pastorkovich tallied 28 points for MHS, while Valdiserri scored 16 points for Donora.

## **Brownsville Humbles Donora, 64-28**

Donora ended their basketball season sole occupants of the Section VII cellar. Leading 12-6 in the first frame, Brownsville added 13 more points in the second to be on top of a 25-13 score at half time. The situation was no better for the Dragons in the second half as Brownsville chalked up 39 points to Donora's 15.



# VICTORY KEYNOTED TRACK SEASON



Row 1 (left to right) William Schmitt—Manager; Patrick Malie—Manager; P. Garrett Hayes—Faculty Manager; Albert Ferrara—Coach; Andrew S. Sukel—Principal (1950); John P. Balas—Assistant Faculty Manager; Clyde Jericho—Manager; Edward Kubik—Manager.  
Row 2—Dale Stewart, Irving Peatross, Thomas Johnson, John Rhodes, Frank Rozik, Paul G. Bercik, Joseph Battilana, George Daube, Douglas Lanier, John Stewart.

In answer to Coach Ferrara's early spring call for athletes having the abilities which comprise a winning track team, a fraction of the Donora High lads reported with the immediate intention of the type of training that results only in a successful season. Although the conditioning schedule was repeatedly set back by the final antics of Old Man Winter, the Donora boys began the long process of moulding into a well coordinated track and field squad. The loss of the record-breaking Warren Walton and other '49 standouts through graduation caused the annual need for new material. This need was not only filled but the team was considered to be deeper in many events than the 1949 edition. Experience was not at all lacking. Tom Johnson, one of the previous year's DHS representatives at the state meet, returned with renewed ambitions. Along with Johnson approximately a dozen other tracksters learned their running and jumping lessons in other years. The new candidates, mostly sophomores, could not be considered entirely green because of their expert Junior High training. As the pre-season drills progressed a high spirit of

competition developed. Those who once had easily held their events were now pushed toward greater efforts and in some cases surpassed. As long as the attitude of willingness to work prevailed, and it did until the season's end, a consistent record of victory was made.

Head manager Kubik filled the bill in caring for equipment and minor injuries. Former Ford City athlete, Albert Ferrara, tutored his trackmen with the result of four victories in as many meets during the non-championship season. The Dragons did exceptionally well in the final WPIAL meets having fifteen participants at this big contest.

## Donora at Charleroi

Donora outclassed Charleroi in their first meet by a score of 66½ to 40½. The ways of conditioned athletes were displayed by Donora with first places by Peatross, Daube, Dzik, and Johnson in the 100-yard dash, half mile, pole vault, and broad jump respectively. Donora's only double victory was made by Ogletree in the shot put and discus events. Both the mile and half-mile relays were won by the Dragons.



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Highlights of the contest: The performances of sophomores Peatross and Crawford marked them as potential stars. All three places in the discus event were captured by Dragons Ogletree, Weiss, and B. Bercik.

## Triangular Meet

The orange and black continued their winning ways with a triumph over Brownsville and Jefferson in preparation for the coming WPIAL Relay Carnival. Donora scored 70 points to Brownsville's 35 and Jefferson High's 27. All the events, save the discus and high hurdles, were dominated by Coach Ferrara's talented youths who exhibited a strong desire to succeed throughout the meet. The DHS honors included firsts by Peatross, Johnson, Daube, Dzik, and Drake.

Highlights of the contest: Mr. Ferrara was pleased to see his boys perform so well as a team. The Dragons put out just as much fight for second and third places as they did for the firsts. Donora tallied in each of the fifteen events.

## WPIAL Relay Carnival

Donora lost some of the momentum which had carried the Dragons through their previous meets in the WPIAL Relay Carnival. The DHS tied with Scottdale for the eleventh place. The Dragon attempts could accumulate only six points. Seventeen other schools broke into the scoring column with Mt. Lebanon taking the highest honor for the ninth consecutive year. Donora placed third in the shuttle hurdle relay, fourth in the 880-yard relay, and fifth in the discus event.

Highlights of the contest: The only locals to return with medal awards were Johnson, Cox, Daube, and Loines for their combined efforts in the shuttle hurdle relay.

## German Township At Donora

The mighty Dragon ovalmen humbled the German Township team in their first and only meet staged on home grounds. Donora, confident of victory after the first few events, finished with 66½ points to German's 17½. All the tests resulted in wins for the Donorans except for the javelin. Bubash came through for the visitors with a toss of 136 feet and 11 inches. Donora took most of the runner-up places, relinquishing those in the 100-yard and 440-yard dashes, mile and shot put. Johnson had no trouble winning the broad jump and hurdle events.

Highlights of the contest: "T Bone" Johnson's leap of 20 feet and 8 inches was not

equalled by another Dragon all season. Peatross performed well by winning the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes.

## Donora At Uniontown

The Dragon cindermen brought home a unanimous 85 to 42 victory over Uniontown in the last non-championship meet of the season. The main attraction was a stellar performance by Johnson who ran wild in the high and low hurdle races. He did the highs in 15.1 and the lows in 12.5 seconds for two firsts. "T Bone" also proved himself best in the broad jump. The other top placers were Fernandez in the mile, Crawford in the 440-yard dash, Daube in the half mile, Drake with the shot put, and Weiss with the discus. The mile relay team composed of Crawford, J. Bercik, Blackman, and Rands also finished in the first slot.

Highlights of the contest: Peatross gave the spectators "shades of Warren Walton" by winning the 100 and 220-yard dashes. Donora again completely dominated the discus event.

## WPIAL Qualifying Meet

Donora High's track and field team sparkled as it copped a second place in the Washington-Green Counties meet held at Canonsburg. Washington finished first with 74 points, a close edge over Donora's 66 1/5. Fifteen Dragons qualified for the annual WPIAL championship meet. Peatross was the standout for the locals. He won the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes. Johnson's record for the low hurdles was broken by Snodgrass of Washington, but "T Bone" proved himself second best in both the highs and lows. Tom also had the broadest jump. Crawford had a busy afternoon in taking third in the broad jump, running a leg of the mile relay which finished second, and racing across the finish ahead of everyone in the 440-yard dash. Other DHS qualifiers were Palmer, Rands, Blackman, J. Bercik, Weiss, and Drake.

Highlights of the contest: Johnson's broad jump of 20 feet and 1 inch set a new record at the Canonsburg stadium.

## WPIAL Meet

The Dragon entrants competed in fine style at the W.P.I.A.L. races and events, scoring 22 points, enough for an undisputed fourth place, with Washington and McKeesport tying for first. Johnson broke the stadium record in the low hurdles with a time of 23.1 seconds. Johnson and Peatross earned the opportunity to represent D.H.S. at the State Meet.



# BASEBALL PLAYED ON NEW LEGION FIELD ANNEX



Row 1 (left to right) Richard Adamczyk, Paul G. Bercik, John Dunyak, Francis Ready, Anthony Bucich, Donald Wiles, Lester Miller.  
 Row 2—Andrew S. Sukel—Principal (1950); John Gidick—Coach; William Elkins, Clyde Horton, Louis Menendez, Joseph Kostolansky, Minor Binley, Patrick Maier, Theodore Carlson, P. Garrett Hayes—Faculty Manager; John P. Balas—Assistant Faculty Manager.  
 Row 3—Michael Torma—Manager; John Thomas—Manager; Raymond Castner—Manager; Joseph A. Rands, Joseph Lapson, Leonard Kuzemka, John Watroba, Joseph Jakela, John Ozahanics, Paul Palucis—Manager; William Steiser—Manager.

## Charleroi 4

## Donora 1

Charleroi handed Donora its first loss by a score of 4-1. Both pitchers pitched one hitters but Donora gave up more walks and committed more costly errors. Dunyak was the starting and losing pitcher with Ready taking over in the second inning. Russell pitched brilliant ball for Charleroi striking out 12 men and walking 5. Ozahanics got the only hit for Donora. Fleming got the only hit, a double scoring 2 men, for Charleroi.

## Brownsville 6

## Donora 10

Donora got their first league win at the expense of Brownsville by a 10-6 score. A total of 15 errors was committed, 9 by Brownsville. Both teams had fair pitching and hitting but loose fielding. Donora had a 10-2 lead until the seventh frame when they had to stop a 4-run rally. Rands and Horton each had 2 hits for Donora. Watroba and Bercik pounded out triples for Donora.

Ready the starting and winning pitcher struck out 7 and walked 3. Bucich struck out 1 and walked 1. Swaney struck out 7 and walked 3 for Brownsville. Donora had a 2-run lead in the first inning and was never headed.

## Monongahela 3

## Donora 0

Monongahela handed Donora their second league loss by the score of 3-0. The game will be a disputed one, however, because when Manuel Campa beat out a bunt the Monongahela Coach, Ben Haldy, claimed it was an error by the third baseman on a wild peg. Coach Gidick claims that Campa beat the throw, thus making it a base hit. That being the only hit it will be called a no-hitter in Monongahela, a one-hitter in Donora. Donora was plagued by poor hitting, shoddy fielding as they committed 4 errors, and the 7 walks given up by starter and loser Dick Adamczyk didn't help the Donora cause.



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## Charleroi 3

## Donora 2

Charleroi bested Donora in an extra-inning pitchers duel with a run in the eighth inning. Russell of Charleroi pitched well giving up only 2 hits, striking out 14, walking 3. Ozahanics also pitched well, until that fatal homerun in the eighth by Woytovich, striking out 11 and walking 1. Ozahanics also chipped in with a triple that gave Donora their first run. Kuzemka got the only other Dragon hit. Donora again committed more errors (3) than the winners (2).

## Monessen 8

## Donora 1

Donora dropped their fourth league contest to Monessen by a score of 8-1. Again errors and weak pitching put the Dragons on the skids. The fielders committed 3 costly errors and the pitchers gave up 8 hits. Starter John Dunyak was the loser, followed by Fritz Ready, John Ozahanics, and Don Wiles. Dunyak fanned 5 and walked 2. Ready fanned 3 and walked 1. Ozahanics walked 1 and fanned 1. Wiles fanned 1 and walked none. Monessen scored 2 in the second on walks and a single and that was enough to clinch the game. Donora was limited to 3 hits, all singles.

## California 9

## Donora 3

Donora was handed their fifth league defeat by California or shall we say that they were defeated by their own errors, 10 of them. Five errors were committed by an infielder. The hitting of the squad was improved; the pitching was improved. The pitchers, Ozahanics, Wiles, and Bucich gave up a total of 3 walks but only struck out 2. At the end of the third frame, the game was all tied up at 3 all, but the roof caved in in the fifth inning when a 3-run homer, 4 errors, and 3 hits gave California 6 runs to clinch the game. Ozahanics was the losing pitcher.

## Brownsville 4

## Donora 1

Expecting to win another game from the only club they had beaten this year the Dragons were disappointed when Brownsville turned the tables by a score of 4-1. It was the sixth loss for the Donora team. The Dragons showed improvement in the game as they out-hit the Brownies 7-5, and committed less errors but they lacked the punch when they needed it. Bucich, the starter and loser for Donora, walked 1, fan-

ned none. Wiles who came in the second frame walked 2 and fanned 2. Joseph, the Brownie pitcher, started and won his first game by walking 3 and fanning 5.

## Monongahela 9

## Donora 3

Continually moving themselves deeper into the league cellar the Dragons dropped their seventh league game to Monongahela 9-3. The Donora pitching staff was ineffective as it took 5 Dragon pitchers to complete the seven-inning game. John Ozahanics who fanned 1 and walked 2 was the starter and loser. He was followed by Ready, Dunyak, Binley, and Wiles. The whole staff struck out a total of 2 men and walked 4 but gave up 13 hits. Perhaps the only bright spot for Donora was a homerun by Manuel Campa. Alex DeRosa hit 2 homers for Mon City, Koch also homered for Mon City. The effective Monongahela pitcher was Necciai who fanned 11 and walked 4 while holding the Dragons to 5 hits.

## California 3

## Donora 10

It seemed that the Dragons finally decided to play baseball as they won their second league game by shellacking California 10-3. The team exploded with 10 hits, 4 of them being extra base blows, 10 runs, only 1 error, and good pitching by lefty Don Wiles who started, won, and finished the second Dragon win. Donora got an early start with 4 runs in the first to put the game on ice but added more in the second, fifth and seventh. The 4 runs in the first frame were due to 3 singles, 2 doubles, and a triple. Jakela got 3 hits and Rands and Watroba got 2 each. The Dragons also sharpened up their base-running by stealing 7 bases.

## Monessen 5

## Donora 13

Coming from behind the Dragons notched their third league win and secured fourth place in the league by defeating Monessen 13-5. The Dragons banging out 11 hits did not seem to be bothered by their 5 errors. Monessen committed 6 errors. John Dunyak who relieved starter Dick Adamczyk got credit for the win as the boys limited Monessen to 4 hits. The Dragons were behind 4-2 in the fourth frame but scored 4 runs there, then 7 more in the fifth to put the game out of the reach of Monessen. Horton, Jakela, and Adamczyk got 2 hits apiece for the Dragons.



To John Law - Wapping Wall  
Andrew Kozar  
50-51

To Mrs Filius  
George  
Woodward  
Simpson

To King Law  
Bob Weightman  
"52"

To a... Home from 50  
Rudy Salobak 50  
205  
one time I had  
Lump

Good Luck "52"  
Dimitri Petro

Best wishes  
to all of luck  
and success  
"52"

lots of garbage  
say Maravac

To my favorite  
King  
Aggie Darn

Lots of Luck to  
our Spanish  
Agitator - Pat Cheney

As well as  
Mary Ann "52"

Jack Stewart  
wishes you great success!

To Mrs Weddle's agitator -  
Best of luck, always, "52"  
Marie Pamper "52"

Just always  
Patience (Hinner)

To a baseball star,  
Cliff

To Miss  
Weddle's King  
William  
Anthony D'Amore  
"52"  
Dee

To a good boy  
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To a fellow gaffer of "205"  
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